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THE SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH CONGRESS commenced on this day, conformably to the Constitution; and the Senate met in its Chamber in the city of Washington.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012

Mr. MARK R. WARNER, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 12:01:32 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 3, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK R. WARNER, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WARNER took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 12:02:13 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 11 a.m. on Friday, January 6, 2012.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 11:00:03 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 11:00:32 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012

Mr. MARK BEGICH, from the State of Alaska, called the Senate to order at 11:00:04 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 10, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK BEGICH, a Senator from the State of Alaska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BEGICH took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 11:00:32 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 12 noon on Friday, January 13, 2012.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2012

Mr. JEFF BINGAMAN, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 12:00:03 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF BINGAMAN, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BINGAMAN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 12:00:33 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 10:15 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2012.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 10:15:02 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 10:15:30 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 2 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2012.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012

Mr. CARL LEVIN, from the State of Michigan, called the Senate to order at 2:00:11 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 20, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CARL LEVIN, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEVIN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

At 2:00:40 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2012.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 23, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

CONFEREES APPOINTED TO CONFERENCE ON BILL H.R. 3630

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 23, 2011, on Tuesday, January 3, 2012,

The following were appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate to the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3630) to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes: Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. REED, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. KYL, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. BARRASSO.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 440) to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Saturday, December 17, 2011, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3012) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Saturday, December 17, 2011, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE ON MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 968 WITHDRAWN

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to

consider the bill (S. 968) to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, and for other purposes, be withdrawn.

Pending debate,

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Tuesday, December 20, 2011, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 278. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries:

REPORT RELATIVE TO THE DEBT LIMIT -- PM 36

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

Hon. JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.,

President of the Senate,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: Pursuant to section 3101A(a)(2)(A) of title 31, United States Code, I hereby certify that the debt subject to limit is within $100,000,000,000 of the limit in 31 U.S.C. 3101(b) and that further borrowing is required to meet existing commitments.

Sincerely,

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *January 12, 2012.*

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE SUBMITTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Saturday, December 17, 2011, the following reports of a committee were submitted on Friday, January 13, 2012:

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 114. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement for a park headquarters at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to expand the boundary of the Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-103).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 140. A bill to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-104).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 247. A bill to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-105).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 264. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Mississippi 2 parcels of surplus land within the boundary of the Natchez Trace Parkway, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-106).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 302. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for a natural gas transmission pipeline in nonwilderness areas within the boundary of Denali National Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-107).

S. 322. A bill to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-108).

S. 323. A bill to establish the First State National Historical Park in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-109).

S. 499. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project (Rept. No. 112-110).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 500. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-111).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 526. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in Mohave County, Arizona, to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range (Rept. No. 112-112).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 667. A bill to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-113).

S. 765. A bill to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-114).

S. 766. A bill to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild rivers, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-115).

S. 779. A bill to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program (Rept. No. 112-116).

S. 802. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-117).

S. 883. A bill to authorize National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor free persons and slaves who fought for independence, liberty, and justice for all during the American Revolution (Rept. No. 112-118).

S. 888. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 112-119).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 896. A bill to amend the Public Land Corps Act of 1993 to expand the

authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service (Rept. No. 112-120).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 970. A bill to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 112-121).

S. 1047. A bill to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-122).

S. 1090. A bill to designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-123).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Report to accompany S. 1134, A bill to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values (Rept. No. 112-124).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1325. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating sites in the Lower Mississippi River Area in the State of Louisiana as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-125).

S. 1344. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to take immediate action to recover ecologically and economically from a catastrophic wildfire in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-126).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1421. A bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-127).

S. 1478. A bill to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-128).

H.R. 441. To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for microhydro projects in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-129).

H.R. 461. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-130).

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on December 19, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 789. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 20 Main Street in Little Ferry, New Jersey, as the "Sergeant Matthew J. Fenton Post Office".

H.R. 1264. An act to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the "M.D. Anderson Plaza" and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

H.R. 1892. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2422. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45 Bay Street, Suite 2, in Staten Island, New York, as the "Sergeant Angel Mendez Post Office".

H.R. 2845. An act to amend title 49, United States code, to provide for enhanced safety and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, to provide for enhanced reliability in the transportation of the Nation's energy products by pipeline, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2867. An act to reauthorize the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3421. An act to award Congressional Gold Medals in honor of the men and women who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001.

H.R. 3672. An act making appropriations for disaster relief requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 278. An act to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were signed on Monday, December 19, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on December 20, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House disagrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3630) to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints the following as managers on the part of the House:

For consideration of the aforementioned bill and the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. CAMP, Mr. UPTON, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. REED of New York, Mrs. ELLMERS, and Ms. HAYWORTH.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on December 21, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 515) to reauthorize the Belarus Democracy Act of 2004.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1059) to protect the safety of judges by extending the authority of the Judicial Conference to redact sensitive information contained in their financial disclosure reports, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1801) to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for expedited security screenings for members of the Armed Forces.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2056) to instruct the Inspector General of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to study the impact of insured depository institution failures, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 515. An act to reauthorize the Belarus Democracy Act of 2004.

H.R. 1059. An act to protect the safety of judges by extending the authority of the Judicial Conference to redact sensitive information contained in their financial disclosure reports, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1540. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1801. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for expedited security screenings for members of the Armed Forces.

H.R. 2055. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2056. An act to instruct the Inspector General of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to study the impact of insured depository institution failures, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were signed on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

Under the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on today, December 23, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House announcing that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3765. An act to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3765. An act to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were signed on today, December 23, 2011, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

The message further announced that the SPEAKER appoints the following Members as additional conferees in the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3630) to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes:

For the consideration of the aforementioned bill and the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. BECERRA of California, Mr. VAN HOLLEN of Maryland, Ms. SCHWARTZ of Pennsylvania, and Mr. WAXMAN of California.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), amended by division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (22 U.S.C. 6901), the Minority Leader re-appoints the following members on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Ms. Carolyn Bartholomew of Washington, DC and Jeffrey L. Fiedler of Great Falls, Virginia.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4401. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 11-137, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4402. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 11-124, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4403. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 11-120, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4404. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 11-134, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4405. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending September 30, 2011 (DCN OSS 2011-1935); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4406. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Ricky Lynch, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4407. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Peter W. Chiarelli, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4408. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Edgar E. Stanton III, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4409. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Carroll F. Pollett, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4410. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Michael C. Vitale, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4411. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4412. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Jeffrey A. Remington, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the

retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4413. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Foreign Language Skill Proficiency Bonus program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4414. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Difenoconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9328-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4415. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyhalofop-butyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9330-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4416. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tepraloxydim; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9330-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4417. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: 2012 Renewable Fuel Standards" (FRL No. 9614-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4418. A communication from the Acting Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Classes of Poultry" (RIN0583-AC83), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4419. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Investment of Customer Funds and Funds Held in an Account for Foreign Futures and Foreign Options Transactions" (RIN3038-AC79), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4420. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Registration of Foreign Boards of Trade" (RIN3038-AD19), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4421. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Fiscal Service, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States Savings Bonds, Series EE and I" (31 CFR Parts 351, 359, and 363), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4422. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Registration as a Municipal Advisor; Required Amendments; and withdrawal from temporary registration" (RIN3235-AK69), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 27, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4423. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4424. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4425. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4426. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Financial Stability Oversight Council's report relative to prompt corrective action; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4427. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4428. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4429. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of New Jersey; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9611-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4430. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; Determinations of Failure to Attain the One-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9612-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4431. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emissions Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants From Secondary Lead Smelting" (FRL No. 9610-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4432. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Kansas: Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9611-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the

Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4433. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oregon: New Source Review/Prevention of Significant Deteriorations Rule Revisions and Air Quality Permit Streamlining Rule Revisions" (FRL No. 9494-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4434. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Area for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Ohio and Indiana; Redesignation of the Ohio and Indiana Portions of the Cincinnati-Hamilton 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9610-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4435. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Area Source Standards for Prepared Feeds Manufacturing; Amendments" (FRL No. 9610-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4436. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Implementation Plans for Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin and Determination for Kansas Regarding Interstate Transport of Ozone" (FRL No. 9609-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4437. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; revised Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets for the Charleston, Huntington, Parkersburg, Weirton, and Wheeling 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Areas; correction" (FRL No. 9609-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4438. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oklahoma; Federal Implementation Plan for Interstate Transport of Pollution Affecting Visibility and Best Available Retrofit Technology Determinations" (FRL No. 9608-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4439. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Final Response to Petition From New Jersey Regarding SO2 Emissions From the Portland Generating Station" (FRL No. 9609-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4440. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Adhesives and Sealants Rule" (FRL No. 9609-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4441. A communication from the Chief of Consultation, Recovery, HCP and State Grants, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reinstatement of Listing Protections for the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse" (RIN1018-AX93), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4442. A communication from the Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Concho Water Snake From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife Removal of Designated Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-AU97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4443. A communication from the Chief of Permits and Regulations, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Permits; States Delegated Falconry Permitting Authority; Technical Corrections to the Regulations" (RIN1018-AX98), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4444. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a legislative proposal relative to the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to provide for a price increase for the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, popularly known as the Duck Stamp; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4445. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation" (RIN0560-AH97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4446. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Employee Plans Determination Letter Program Changes" (Announcement 2011-82), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4447. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Revenue Ruling 2011-1" (Notice 2012-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4448. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - January 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4449. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the

Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 482: Methods to Determine Taxable Income in Connection with a Cost Sharing Arrangement" (RIN1545-BI46), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4450. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Differential Income Streams as a Consideration in Assessing the Best Method" ((RIN1545-BK72)(TD 9569)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4451. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2011-100), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4452. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2011 Cumulative List of Changes in Plan Qualifications Requirements" (Notice 2011-97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4453. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting of Specified Foreign Financial Assets" ((RIN1545-BK17)(TD 9567)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4454. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Corporate Reorganizations; Guidance on the Measurement of Continuity of Interest" ((RIN1545-BG15)(TD 9565)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4455. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax Return Preparer Penalties Under Section 6695" ((RIN1545-BK16)(TD 9570)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4456. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Regarding Foreign Base Company Sales Income" ((RIN1545-BI45)(TD 9563)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4457. A communication from the Senior Advisor, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Rules of Conduct and Standards of Responsibility for Representative" (RIN0960-AH32), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 27, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4458. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on the Child Support Enforcement Program for fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4459. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Relief for IRA Owners Subject to Certain Broker Agreements" (Announcement 2011-81), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4460. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Competitive Sourcing Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4461. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ronald Andrew Mayo and Leslie Archer Mayo v. Commissioner, 136 T.C. 81 (2011)" (AOD-2011-06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4462. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2011-0202 - 2011-0226); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4463. A communication from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, relative to the need for implementing improvements to the current consultation and notifications processes for Foreign Military Sales, Direct Commercial Sales, and changes to U.S. export controls; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4464. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to proposed amendments to parts 120, 122, 126, 127, and 129 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4465. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Chemical Weapons Convention and the Australia Group; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4466. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed revision of the U.S. Munitions List Category XX in part 121 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4467. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed revision of the U.S. Munitions List Category VI in part 121 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4468. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. military personnel and U.S. civilian contractors involved in the anti-narcotics campaign in Colombia (DCN OSS 2011-1936); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4469. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4470. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Community Living Assistance Services and Supports Program: 2011 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4471. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Head Start Designation Renewal System"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4472. A communication from the Chief of the Branch of Policy, Regulations and Procedures Division of Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Implementing the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act: Recreational Vessels" (RIN1240-AA02), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4473. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mine Safety Disclosure" (RIN3235-AK83), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 27, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4474. A communication from the Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Representation--Case Procedures" (RIN3142-AA08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 27, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4475. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2010-005, Updated Financial Accounting Standards Board of Accounting References" ((RIN9000-AM00)(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4476. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments" (FAC 2005-55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4477. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-55, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4478. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-55; Introduction" (FAC 2005-55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4479. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2008-032, Preventing Abuse of Interagency Contracts" ((RIN9000-AL69)-(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4480. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2010-016, Public Access to the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System" ((RIN9000-AL94)(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4481. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2009-043, Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts for Commercial Items" ((RIN9000-AL74)(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4482. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2005-037, Brand-Name Specifications" ((RIN9000-AK55)(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4483. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2011-021, Transition to the System for Award Management (SAM)" ((RIN9000-AM14)(FAC 2005-55)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4484. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cost Accounting Standards Pension Harmonization" (48 CFR Part 9904), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4485. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cost Accounting Standards Applicability Threshold" (48 CFR Parts 9901 and 9903), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4486. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the District of Columbia Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board From Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 to FY 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4487. A communication from the Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4488. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Performance and Accountability Report Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4489. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report from the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1,

2011 through September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4490. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Sector Critical Infrastructure Protection Annual Report for the Transportation Systems Sector"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4491. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Sector Critical Infrastructure Protection Annual Report for the Postal and Shipping Sector"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2032. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2033. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to end the costly derivatives blended rate loophole, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LEE, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COATS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BURR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S.J. Res. 34. A joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012; placed on the calendar.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. Res. 352. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should work with the Government of Haiti to address gender-based violence against women and children; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 20

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 20, a bill to protect American job creation by striking the job-killing Federal employer mandate.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 381

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 381, a bill to amend the Arms Export Control Act to provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the United States by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Department of State or the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 506

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 506, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students.

S. 547

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 547, a bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish an award program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education.

S. 567

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill to amend the small, rural school achievement program and the rural and low-income school program under part B of title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

S. 634

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 634, a bill to ensure that the courts of the United States may provide an impartial forum for claims brought by United States citizens and others against any railroad organized as a separate legal entity, arising from the deportation of United States citizens and others to Nazi concentration camps on trains owned or operated by such railroad, and by the heirs and survivors of such persons.

S. 665

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 665, a bill to promote industry growth and competitiveness and to improve worker training, retention, and advancement, and for other purposes.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 968

At the request of Mr. HATCH, his name and the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] were withdrawn as cosponsors of S. 968, a bill to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BENNET, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 968, supra.

S. 1018

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was

added as a cosponsor of S. 1018, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, and the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 to provide for implementation of additional recommendations of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1241

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1241, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

S. 1245

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1245, a bill to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1355

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1355, a bill to regulate political robocalls.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1597

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1597, a bill to provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary school and secondary school buildings in public school districts and community colleges across the United States in order to support the achievement of improved educational outcomes in those schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1607

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1607, a bill to include shellfish to the list of crops eligible for the noninsured crop disaster assistance program and the emergency assistance for livestock program of the Department of Agriculture.

S. 1680

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1680, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of Medicare beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1707

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1707, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the conditions under which certain persons may be treated as adjudicated mentally incompetent for certain purposes.

S. 1802

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1802, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out programs and activities that connect Americans, especially children, youth, and families, with the outdoors.

S. 1816

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1816, a bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to modify a provision relating to minimum penalties for repeat offenders for driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence.

S. 1845

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid, and for other purposes.

S. 1863

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1863, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage alternative energy investments and job creation.

S. 1896

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1896, a bill to eliminate the automatic inflation increases for discretionary programs built into the baseline projections and require budget estimates to be compared with the prior year's level.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1930

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, a bill to prohibit earmarks.

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, supra.

S. 1941

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1941, a bill to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration, and for other purposes.

S. 1963

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 1963, a bill to revoke the charters for the Federal National Mortgage Corporation and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation upon resolution of their obligations, to create a new Mortgage Finance Agency for the securitization of single family and multifamily mortgages, and for other purposes.

S. 1994

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1994, a bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2006

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2006, a bill to amend the Surface

Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to permit Federal regulation and review of tolls and toll increases on certain surface transportation facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE RESOLUTION 232

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 232, a resolution recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 12th anniversary of the campaign by the Chinese Communist Party to suppress the Falun Gong movement, recognizing the Tuidang movement whereby Chinese citizens renounce their ties to the Chinese Communist Party and its affiliates, and calling for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute Falun Gong practitioners.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, supra.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, without amendment:

H.J. Res. 98. Joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.

The message also announced the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 96. Concurrent resolution providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 214(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15344), the Minority Leader appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors: Mr. Gregory T. Moore of Washington, DC.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following joint resolutions were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar, as pursuant to sec. 301(a)(2) of Public Law 112-25:

H.J. Res. 98. Joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.

S.J. Res. 34. Joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

SOAR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3237) to amend the SOAR Act by clarifying the scope of coverage of the Act.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ST. CROIX RIVER CROSSING PROJECT AUTHORIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1134) to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the reported amendment be agreed to and considered original text for purpose of further amendment; that an amendment (Numbered 1468) be proposed on behalf of Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. RON JOHNSON, and Mr. FRANKEN), and agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 96) providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

UNITED STATES – CHINA ECONOMIC SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, as amended by Public Law 108-7, and upon the recommendation of the majority leader, in consultation with the chairmen of the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Finance, had appointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic Security Review Commission: Mr. William A. Reinsch, of Maryland, and Mr. Carte P. Goodwin, of West Virginia, during the adjournment of the Senate, as pursuant to the order of Saturday, December 17, 2011.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:56 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE UNION DELIVERED TO A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS -- PM 37

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was ordered to lie on the table:

To the Congress of the United States:

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Vice President, members of Congress, distinguished guests, and fellow Americans:

Last month, I went to Andrews Air Force Base and welcomed home some of our last troops to serve in Iraq. Together, we offered a final, proud salute to the colors under which more than a million of our fellow citizens fought—and several thousand gave their lives.

We gather tonight knowing that this generation of heroes has made the United States safer and more respected around the world. For the first time in nine years, there are no Americans fighting in Iraq. For the first time in two decades, Osama bin Laden is not a threat to this country. Most of al Qaeda's top lieutenants have been defeated. The Taliban's momentum has been broken, and some troops in Afghanistan have begun to come home.

These achievements are a testament to the courage, selflessness, and teamwork of America's Armed Forces. At a time when too many of our institutions have let us down, they exceed all expectations. They're not consumed with personal ambition. They don't obsess over their differences. They focus on the mission at hand. They work together.

Imagine what we could accomplish if we followed their example. Think about the America within our reach: A country that leads the world in educating its people. An America that attracts a new generation of high-tech manufacturing and high-paying jobs. A future where we're in control of our own energy, and our security and prosperity aren't so tied to unstable parts of the world. An economy built to last, where hard work pays off, and responsibility is rewarded.

We can do this. I know we can, because we've done it before. At the end of World War II, when another generation of heroes returned home from combat, they built the strongest economy and middle class the world has ever known. My grandfather, a veteran of Patton's Army, got the chance to go to college on the GI Bill. My grandmother, who worked on a bomber assembly line, was part of a workforce that turned out the best products on Earth.

The two of them shared the optimism of a Nation that had triumphed over a Depression and fascism. They understood they were part of something larger; that they were contributing to a story of success that *every* American had a chance to share—the basic American promise that if you worked hard, you could do well enough to raise a family, own a home, send your kids to college, and put a little away for retirement.

The defining issue of our time is how to keep that promise alive. No challenge is more urgent. No debate is more important. We can either settle for a country where a shrinking number of people do really well, while a growing number of Americans barely get by. Or we can restore an economy where everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same set of rules. What's at stake are not Democratic values or Republican values, but American values. We have to reclaim them.

Let's remember how we got here. Long before the recession, jobs and manufacturing began leaving our shores. Technology made businesses more efficient, but also made some jobs obsolete. Folks at the top saw their incomes rise like never before, but most hardworking Americans struggled with costs that were growing, paychecks that weren't, and personal debt that kept piling up.

In 2008, the house of cards collapsed. We learned that mortgages had been sold to people who couldn't afford or understand them. Banks had made huge bets and bonuses with other people's money. Regulators had looked the other way, or didn't have the authority to stop the bad behavior.

It was wrong. It was irresponsible. And it plunged our economy into a crisis that put millions out of work, saddled us with more debt, and left innocent, hard-working Americans holding the bag. In the six months

before I took office, we lost nearly four million jobs. And we lost another four million before our policies were in full effect.

Those are the facts. But so are these. In the last 22 months, businesses have created more than three million jobs. Last year, they created the most jobs since 2005. American manufacturers are hiring again, creating jobs for the first time since the late 1990s. Together, we've agreed to cut the deficit by more than $2 trillion. And we've put in place new rules to hold Wall Street accountable, so a crisis like that never happens again.

The state of our Union is getting stronger. And we've come too far to turn back now. As long as I'm President, I will work with anyone in this chamber to build on this momentum. But I intend to fight obstruction with action, and I will oppose any effort to return to the very same policies that brought on this economic crisis in the first place.

No, we will not go back to an economy weakened by outsourcing, bad debt, and phony financial profits. Tonight, I want to speak about how we move forward, and lay out a blueprint for an economy that's built to last—an economy built on American manufacturing, American energy, skills for American workers, and a renewal of American values.

This blueprint begins with American manufacturing.

On the day I took office, our auto industry was on the verge of collapse. Some even said we should let it die. With a million jobs at stake, I refused to let that happen. In exchange for help, we demanded responsibility. We got workers and automakers to settle their differences. We got the industry to retool and restructure. Today, General Motors is back on top as the world's number one automaker. Chrysler has grown faster in the U.S. than any major car company. Ford is investing billions in U.S. plants and factories. And together, the entire industry added nearly 160,000 jobs.

We bet on American workers. We bet on American ingenuity. And tonight, the American auto industry is back.

What's happening in Detroit can happen in other industries. It can happen in Cleveland and Pittsburgh and Raleigh. We can't bring back every job that's left our shores. But right now, it's getting more expensive to do business in places like China. Meanwhile, America is more productive. A few weeks ago, the CEO of Master Lock told me that it now makes business sense for him to bring jobs back home. Today, for the first time in fifteen years, Master Lock's unionized plant in Milwaukee is running at full capacity.

So we have a huge opportunity, at this moment, to bring manufacturing back. But we have to seize it. Tonight, my message to business leaders is simple: ask yourselves what you can do to bring jobs back to your country, and your country will do everything we can to help you succeed.

We should start with our tax code. Right now, companies get tax breaks for moving jobs and profits overseas. Meanwhile, companies that choose to stay in America get hit with one of the highest tax rates in the world. It makes no sense, and everyone knows it.

So let's change it. First, if you're a business that wants to outsource jobs, you shouldn't get a tax deduction for doing it. That money should be used to cover moving expenses for companies like Master Lock that decide to bring jobs home.

Second, no American company should be able to avoid paying its fair share of taxes by moving jobs and profits overseas. From now on, every multinational company should have to pay a basic minimum tax. And every penny should go towards lowering taxes for companies that choose to stay here and hire here.

Third, if you're an American manufacturer, you should get a bigger tax cut. If you're a high-tech manufacturer, we should double the tax deduction you get for making products here. And if you want to relocate in a community that was hit hard when a factory left town, you should get help financing a new plant, equipment, or training for new workers.

My message is simple. It's time to stop rewarding businesses that ship jobs overseas, and start rewarding companies that create jobs right here in America. Send me these tax reforms and I'll sign them right away.

We're also making it easier for American businesses to sell products all over the world. Two years ago, I set a goal of doubling U.S. exports over five years. With the bipartisan trade agreements I signed into law, we are on track to meet that goal—ahead of schedule. Soon, there will be millions of new customers for American goods in Panama, Colombia and South Korea. Soon, there will be new cars on the streets of Seoul imported from Detroit, and Toledo, and Chicago.

I will go anywhere in the world to open new markets for American products. And I will not stand by when our competitors don't play by the rules. We've brought trade cases against China at nearly twice the rate as the last administration—and it's made a difference. Over a thousand Americans are working today because we stopped a surge in Chinese tires. But we need to do more. It's not right when another country lets our movies, music, and software be pirated. It's not fair when foreign manufacturers have a leg up on ours only because they're heavily subsidized.

Tonight, I'm announcing the creation of a Trade Enforcement Unit that will be charged with investigating unfair trade practices in countries like China. There will be more inspections to prevent counterfeit or unsafe goods from crossing our borders. And this Congress should make sure that no foreign company has an advantage over American manufacturing when it comes to accessing finance or new markets like Russia. Our workers are the most productive on Earth, and if the playing field is level, I promise you—America will always win.

I also hear from many business leaders who want to hire in the United States, but can't find workers with the right skills. Growing industries in science and technology have twice as many openings as we have workers who can do the job. Think about that—openings at a time when millions of Americans are looking for work.

That's inexcusable. And we *know* how to fix it.

Jackie Bray is a single mom from North Carolina who was laid off from her job as a mechanic. Then Siemens opened a gas turbine factory in Charlotte, and formed a partnership with Central Piedmont Community College. The company helped the college design courses in laser and robotics training. It paid Jackie's tuition, then hired her to help operate their plant.

I want every American looking for work to have the same opportunity as Jackie did. Join me in a national commitment to train two million Americans with skills that will lead directly to a job. My Administration has already lined up more companies that want to help. Model partnerships between businesses like Siemens and community colleges in places like Charlotte, Orlando and Louisville are up and running. Now you need to give more community colleges the resources they need to become community career centers—places that teach people skills that local businesses are looking for right now, from data management to high-tech manufacturing.

And I want to cut through the maze of confusing training programs, so that from now on, people like Jackie have *one* program, *one* website, and *one* place to go for all the information and help they need. It's time to turn our unemployment system into a reemployment system that puts people to work.

These reforms will help people get jobs that are open today. But to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow, our commitment to skills and education has to start earlier.

For less than one percent of what our Nation spends on education each year, we've convinced nearly every State in the country to raise their standards for teaching and learning—the first time that's happened in a generation.

But challenges remain. And we know how to solve them.

At a time when other countries are doubling down on education, tight budgets have forced States to lay off thousands of teachers. We know a good teacher can

increase the lifetime income of a classroom by over $250,000. A great teacher can offer an escape from poverty to the child who dreams beyond his circumstance. Every person in this chamber can point to a teacher who changed the trajectory of their lives. Most teachers work tirelessly, with modest pay, sometimes digging into their own pocket for school supplies—just to make a difference.

Teachers matter. So instead of bashing them, or defending the status quo, let's offer schools a deal. Give them the resources to keep good teachers on the job, and reward the *best* ones. In return, grant schools flexibility: to teach with creativity and passion, to stop teaching to the test, and to replace teachers who just aren't helping kids learn.

We also know that when students aren't allowed to walk away from their education, more of them walk the stage to get their diploma. So tonight, I call on every State to require that all students stay in high school until they graduate or turn eighteen.

When kids do graduate, the most daunting challenge can be the cost of college. At a time when Americans owe more in tuition debt than credit card debt, this Congress needs to stop the interest rates on student loans from doubling in July. Extend the tuition tax credit we started that saves middle-class families thousands of dollars. And give more young people the chance to earn their way through college by doubling the number of work-study jobs in the next five years.

Of course, it's not enough for us to increase student aid. We can't just keep subsidizing skyrocketing tuition; we'll run out of money. States also need to do their part, by making higher education a higher priority in their budgets. And colleges and universities have to do *their* part by working to keep costs down. Recently, I spoke with a group of college presidents who've done just that. Some schools re-design courses to help students finish more quickly. Some use better technology. The point is, it's possible. So let me put colleges and universities on notice: if you can't stop tuition from going up, the funding you get from taxpayers will go down. Higher education can't be a luxury—it's an economic imperative that every family in America should be able to afford.

Let's also remember that hundreds of thousands of talented, hardworking students in this country face another challenge: the fact that they aren't yet American citizens. Many were brought here as small children, are American through and through, yet they live every day with the threat of deportation. Others came more recently, to study business and science and engineering, but as soon as they get their degree, we send them home to invent new products and create new jobs somewhere else.

That doesn't make sense.

I believe as strongly as ever that we should take on illegal immigration. That's why my Administration has put more boots on the border than ever before. That's why there are fewer illegal crossings than when I took office.

The opponents of action are out of excuses. We should be working on comprehensive immigration reform right now. But if election-year politics keeps Congress from acting on a comprehensive plan, let's at least agree to stop expelling responsible young people who want to staff our labs, start new businesses, and defend this country. Send me a law that gives them the chance to earn their citizenship. I will sign it right away.

You see, an economy built to last is one where we encourage the talent and ingenuity of *every* person in this country. That means women should earn equal pay for equal work. It means we should support *everyone* who's willing to work; and every risk-taker and entrepreneur who aspires to become the next Steve Jobs.

After all, innovation is what America has *always* been about. Most new jobs are created in start-ups and small businesses. So let's pass an agenda that helps them succeed. Tear down regulations that prevent aspiring entrepreneurs from getting the financing to grow. Expand tax relief to small businesses that are raising wages and creating good jobs. Both parties agree on these ideas. So put them in a bill, and get it on my desk this year.

Innovation also demands basic research. Today, the discoveries taking place in our federally-financed labs and universities could lead to new treatments that kill cancer cells but leave healthy ones untouched. New lightweight vests for cops and soldiers that can stop any bullet. Don't gut these investments in our budget. Don't let other countries win the race for the future. Support the same kind of research and innovation that led to the computer chip and the Internet; to new American jobs and new American industries.

Nowhere is the promise of innovation greater than in American-made energy. Over the last three years, we've opened millions of new acres for oil and gas exploration, and tonight, I'm directing my Administration to open more than 75 percent of our potential offshore oil and gas resources. Right now, American oil production is the highest that it's been in eight years. That's right—eight years. Not only that—last year, we relied less on foreign oil than in any of the past sixteen years.

But with only 2 percent of the world's oil reserves, oil isn't enough. This country needs an all-out, all-of-the-above strategy that develops every available source of American energy—a strategy that's cleaner, cheaper, and full of new jobs.

We have a supply of natural gas that can last America nearly one hundred years, and my Administration will take every possible action to safely develop this energy. Experts believe this will support more than 600,000 jobs by the end of the decade. And I'm requiring all companies that drill for gas on public lands to disclose the chemicals they use. America will develop this resource without putting the health and safety of our citizens at risk.

The development of natural gas will create jobs and power trucks and factories that are cleaner and cheaper, proving that we don't have to choose between our environment and our economy. And by the way, it was *public* research dollars, over the course of thirty years, that helped develop the technologies to extract all this natural gas out of shale rock—reminding us that Government support is critical in helping businesses get new energy ideas off the ground.

What's true for natural gas is true for clean energy. In three years, our partnership with the private sector has already positioned America to be the world's leading manufacturer of high-tech batteries. Because of federal investments, renewable energy use has nearly doubled. And thousands of Americans have jobs because of it.

When Bryan Ritterby was laid off from his job making furniture, he said he worried that at 55, no one would give him a second chance. But he found work at Energetx, a wind turbine manufacturer in Michigan. Before the recession, the factory only made luxury yachts. Today, it's hiring workers like Bryan, who said, "I'm proud to be working in the industry of the future."

Our experience with shale gas shows us that the payoffs on these public investments don't always come right away. Some technologies don't pan out; some companies fail. But I will not walk away from the promise of clean energy. I will not walk away from workers like Bryan. I will not cede the wind or solar or battery industry to China or Germany because we refuse to make the same commitment here. We have subsidized oil companies for a century. That's long enough. It's time to end the taxpayer giveaways to an industry that's rarely been more profitable, and double-down on a clean energy industry that's never been more promising. Pass clean energy tax credits and create these jobs.

We can also spur energy innovation with new incentives. The differences in this chamber may be too deep right now to pass a comprehensive plan to fight climate change. But there's no reason why Congress shouldn't at least set a clean energy standard that creates a market for innovation. So far, you haven't acted. Well tonight, I will. I'm directing my Administration to allow the development of clean energy on enough public land to power three million homes. And I'm proud to announce that the Department of Defense, the world's largest

consumer of energy, will make one of the largest commitments to clean energy in history—with the Navy purchasing enough capacity to power a quarter of a million homes a year.

Of course, the easiest way to save money is to waste less energy. So here's another proposal: help manufacturers eliminate energy waste in their factories and give businesses incentives to upgrade their buildings. Their energy bills will be $100 billion lower over the next decade, and America will have less pollution, more manufacturing, and more jobs for construction workers who need them. Send me a bill that creates these jobs.

Building this new energy future should be just one part of a broader agenda to repair America's infrastructure. So much of America needs to be rebuilt. We've got crumbling roads and bridges. A power grid that wastes too much energy. An incomplete high-speed broadband network that prevents a small business owner in rural America from selling her products all over the world.

During the Great Depression, America built the Hoover Dam and the Golden Gate Bridge. After World War II, we connected our States with a system of highways. Democratic and Republican administrations invested in great projects that benefited everybody, from the workers who built them to the businesses that still use them today.

In the next few weeks, I will sign an Executive Order clearing away the red tape that slows down too many construction projects. But you need to fund these projects. Take the money we're no longer spending at war, use half of it to pay down our debt, and use the rest to do some nation-building right here at home.

There's never been a better time to build, especially since the construction industry was one of the hardest-hit when the housing bubble burst. Of course, construction workers weren't the only ones hurt. So were millions of innocent Americans who've seen their home values decline. And while Government can't fix the problem on its own, responsible homeowners shouldn't have to sit and wait for the housing market to hit bottom to get some relief.

That's why I'm sending this Congress a plan that gives every responsible homeowner the chance to save about $3,000 a year on their mortgage, by refinancing at historically low interest rates. No more red tape. No more runaround from the banks. A small fee on the largest financial institutions will ensure that it won't add to the deficit, and will give banks that were rescued by taxpayers a chance to repay a deficit of trust.

Let's never forget: Millions of Americans who work hard and play by the rules every day deserve a Government and a financial system that do the same. It's time to apply the same rules from top to bottom: No bailouts, no handouts, and no copouts. An America built to last insists on responsibility from everybody.

We've *all* paid the price for lenders who sold mortgages to people who couldn't afford them, and buyers who *knew* they couldn't afford them. That's why we need smart regulations to prevent irresponsible behavior. Rules to prevent financial fraud, or toxic dumping, or faulty medical devices, don't *destroy* the free market. They make the free market work better.

There is no question that some regulations are outdated, unnecessary, or too costly. In fact, I've approved fewer regulations in the first three years of my presidency than my Republican predecessor did in his. I've ordered every federal agency to eliminate rules that don't make sense. We're revising over 500 more, just a fraction of reforms that will save business and citizens more than $10 billion over the next five years. We got rid of one rule from 40 years ago that could have forced some dairy farmers to spend $10,000 a year proving that they could contain a spill—because milk was somehow classified as an oil. With a rule like that, I guess it was worth crying over spilled milk.

I'm confident a farmer can contain a milk spill without a federal agency looking over his shoulder. But I will not back down from making sure an oil company can contain the kind of oil spill we saw in the Gulf two years ago. I will not back down from protecting our kids from mercury pollution, or making sure that our food is safe and our water is clean. I will not go back to the days when health insurance companies had unchecked power to cancel your policy, deny you coverage, or charge women differently from men.

And I will not go back to the days when Wall Street was allowed to play by its own set of rules. The new rules we passed restore what should be any financial system's core purpose: getting funding to entrepreneurs with the best ideas, and getting loans to responsible families who want to buy a home, start a business, or send a kid to college.

So if you're a big bank or financial institution, you are no longer allowed to make risky bets with your customers' deposits. You're required to write out a "living will" that details exactly how you'll pay the bills if you fail—because the rest of us aren't bailing you out ever again. And if you're a mortgage lender or a payday lender or a credit card company, the days of signing people up for products they can't afford with confusing forms and deceptive practices are over. Today, American consumers finally have a watchdog in Richard Cordray with one job: to look out for them.

We will also establish a Financial Crimes Unit of highly trained investigators to crack down on large-scale fraud and protect people's investments. Some financial firms violate major anti-fraud laws because there's no real penalty for being a repeat offender. That's bad for consumers, and it's bad for the vast majority of bankers and financial service professionals who do the right thing. So pass legislation that makes the penalties for fraud count.

And tonight, I am asking my Attorney General to create a special unit of federal prosecutors and leading state attorneys general to expand our investigations into the abusive lending and packaging of risky mortgages that led to the housing crisis. This new unit will hold accountable those who broke the law, speed assistance to homeowners, and help turn the page on an era of recklessness that hurt so many Americans.

A return to the American values of fair play and shared responsibility will help us protect our people and our economy. But it should also guide us as we look to pay down our debt and invest in our future.

Right now, our most immediate priority is stopping a tax hike on 160 million working Americans while the recovery is still fragile. People cannot afford losing $40 out of each paycheck this year. There are plenty of ways to get this done. So let's agree right here, right now: No side issues. No drama. Pass the payroll tax cut without delay.

When it comes to the deficit, we've already agreed to more than $2 trillion in cuts and savings. But we need to do more, and that means making choices. Right now, we're poised to spend nearly $1 trillion more on what was supposed to be a temporary tax break for the wealthiest 2 percent of Americans. Right now, because of loopholes and shelters in the tax code, a quarter of all millionaires pay lower tax rates than millions of middle-class households. Right now, Warren Buffett pays a lower tax rate than his secretary.

Do we want to keep these tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans? Or do we want to keep our investments in everything else—like education and medical research; a strong military and care for our veterans? Because if we're serious about paying down our debt, we can't do both.

The American people know what the right choice is. So do I. As I told the Speaker this summer, I'm prepared to make more reforms that rein in the long term costs of Medicare and Medicaid, and strengthen Social Security, so long as those programs remain a guarantee of security for seniors.

But in return, we need to change our tax code so that people like me, and an awful lot of Members of Congress, pay our fair share of taxes. Tax reform should follow the Buffett rule: if you make more than $1 million a year, you should not pay less than 30 percent in taxes. And my Republican friend TOM COBURN is right: Washington should stop subsidizing millionaires. In fact, if you're earning a million dollars a year, you

shouldn't get special tax subsidies or deductions. On the other hand, if you make under $250,000 a year, like 98 percent of American families, your taxes shouldn't go up. You're the ones struggling with rising costs and stagnant wages. You're the ones who need relief.

Now, you can call this class warfare all you want. But asking a billionaire to pay at least as much as his secretary in taxes? Most Americans would call that common sense.

We don't begrudge financial success in this country. We admire it. When Americans talk about folks like me paying my fair share of taxes, it's not because they envy the rich. It's because they understand that when I get tax breaks I don't need and the country can't afford, it either adds to the deficit, or somebody else has to make up the difference—like a senior on a fixed income; or a student trying to get through school; or a family trying to make ends meet. That's not right. Americans know it's not right. They know that this generation's success is only possible because past generations felt a responsibility to each other, and to their country's future, and they know our way of life will only endure if we feel that same sense of shared responsibility. *That's* how we'll reduce our deficit. *That's* an America built to last.

I recognize that people watching tonight have differing views about taxes and debt; energy and health care. But no matter what party they belong to, I bet most Americans are thinking the same thing right now: nothing will get done this year, or next year, or maybe even the year after that, because Washington is broken.

Can you blame them for feeling a little cynical?

The greatest blow to confidence in our economy last year didn't come from events beyond our control. It came from a debate in Washington over whether the United States would pay its bills or not. Who benefited from that fiasco?

I've talked tonight about the deficit of trust between Main Street and Wall Street. But the divide between this city and the rest of the country is at least as bad—and it seems to get worse every year.

Some of this has to do with the corrosive influence of money in politics. So together, let's take some steps to fix that. Send me a bill that bans insider trading by Members of Congress, and I will sign it tomorrow. Let's limit any elected official from owning stocks in industries they impact. Let's make sure people who bundle campaign contributions for Congress can't lobby Congress, and vice versa—an idea that has bipartisan support, at least outside of Washington.

Some of what's broken has to do with the way Congress does its business these days. A simple majority is no longer enough to get *anything*—even routine business—passed through the Senate. Neither party has been blameless in these tactics. Now both parties should put an end to it. For starters, I ask the Senate to pass a rule that all judicial and public service nominations receive a simple up or down vote within 90 days.

The executive branch also needs to change. Too often, it's inefficient, outdated and remote. That's why I've asked this Congress to grant me the authority to consolidate the federal bureaucracy so that our Government is leaner, quicker, and more responsive to the needs of the American people.

Finally, none of these reforms can happen unless we also lower the temperature in this town. We need to end the notion that the two parties must be locked in a perpetual campaign of mutual destruction; that politics is about clinging to rigid ideologies instead of building consensus around common sense ideas.

I'm a Democrat. But I believe what Republican Abraham Lincoln believed: that Government should do for people only what they cannot do better by themselves, and no more. That's why my education reform offers more competition, and more control for schools and States. That's why we're getting rid of regulations that don't work. That's why our health care law relies on a reformed private market, not a Government program.

On the other hand, even my Republican friends who complain the most about Government spending have supported federally-financed roads, and clean energy projects, and federal offices for the folks back home.

The point is, we should *all* want a smarter, more effective Government. And while we may not be able to bridge our biggest philosophical differences this year, we can make real progress. With or without this Congress, I will keep taking actions that help the economy grow. But I can do a whole lot more with your help. Because when we act together, there is nothing the United States of America can't achieve.

That is the lesson we've learned from our actions abroad over the last few years.

Ending the Iraq war has allowed us to strike decisive blows against our enemies. From Pakistan to Yemen, the al Qaeda operatives who remain are scrambling, knowing that they can't escape the reach of the United States of America.

From this position of strength, we've begun to wind down the war in Afghanistan. Ten thousand of our troops have come home. Twenty-three thousand more will leave by the end of this summer. This transition to Afghan lead will continue, and we will build an enduring partnership with Afghanistan, so that it is never again a source of attacks against America.

As the tide of war recedes, a wave of change has washed across the Middle East and North Africa, from Tunis to Cairo; from Sana'a to Tripoli. A year ago, Qadhafi was one of the world's longest-serving dictators—a murderer with American blood on his hands. Today, he is gone. And in Syria, I have no doubt that the Assad regime will soon discover that the forces of change can't be reversed, and that human dignity can't be denied.

How this incredible transformation will end remains uncertain. But we have a huge stake in the outcome. And while it is ultimately up to the people of the region to decide their fate, we will advocate for those values that have served our own country so well. We will stand against violence and intimidation. We will stand for the rights and dignity of all human beings—men and women; Christians, Muslims and Jews. We will support policies that lead to strong and stable democracies and open markets, because tyranny is no match for liberty.

And we will safeguard America's own security against those who threaten our citizens, our friends, and our interests. Look at Iran. Through the power of our diplomacy, a world that was once divided about how to deal with Iran's nuclear program now stands as one. The regime is more isolated than ever before; its leaders are faced with crippling sanctions, and as long as they shirk their responsibilities, this pressure will not relent. Let there be no doubt: America is determined to prevent Iran from getting a nuclear weapon, and I will take no options off the table to achieve that goal. But a peaceful resolution of this issue is still possible, and far better, and if Iran changes course and meets its obligations, it can rejoin the community of nations.

The renewal of American leadership can be felt across the globe. Our oldest alliances in Europe and Asia are stronger than ever. Our ties to the Americas are deeper. Our iron-clad commitment to Israel's security has meant the closest military cooperation between our two countries in history. We've made it clear that America is a Pacific power, and a new beginning in Burma has lit a new hope. From the coalitions we've built to secure nuclear materials, to the missions we've led against hunger and disease; from the blows we've dealt to our enemies; to the enduring power of our moral example, America is back.

Anyone who tells you otherwise, anyone who tells you that America is in decline or that our influence has waned, doesn't know what they're talking about. That's not the message we get from leaders around the world, all of whom are eager to work with us. That's not how people feel from Tokyo to Berlin; from Cape Town to Rio; where opinions of America are higher than they've been in years. Yes, the world is changing; no, we can't control every event. But America remains the one indispensable nation in world affairs—and as long as I'm President, I intend to keep it that way.

That's why, working with our military leaders, I have proposed a new defense strategy that ensures we maintain the finest military in the world, while saving nearly half a trillion dollars in our budget. To stay one step ahead of our adversaries, I have already sent this Congress legislation that will secure our country from the growing danger of cyberthreats.

Above all, our freedom endures because of the men and women in uniform who defend it. As they come home, we must serve them as well as they served us. That includes giving them the care and benefits they have earned—which is why we've increased annual VA spending every year I've been President. And it means enlisting our veterans in the work of rebuilding our Nation.

With the bipartisan support of this Congress, we are providing new tax credits to companies that hire vets. Michelle and Jill Biden have worked with American businesses to secure a pledge of 135,000 jobs for veterans and their families. And tonight, I'm proposing a Veterans Job Corps that will help our communities hire veterans as cops and firefighters, so that America is as strong as those who defend her.

Which brings me back to where I began. Those of us who've been sent here to serve can learn from the service of our troops. When you put on that uniform, it doesn't matter if you're black or white; Asian or Latino; conservative or liberal; rich or poor; gay or straight. When you're marching into battle, you look out for the person next to you, or the mission fails. When you're in the thick of the fight, you rise or fall as one unit, serving one Nation, leaving no one behind.

One of my proudest possessions is the flag that the SEAL Team took with them on the mission to kill bin Laden. On it are each of their names. Some may be Democrats. Some may be Republicans. But that doesn't matter. Just like it didn't matter that day in the Situation Room, when I sat next to Bob Gates—a man who was George Bush's defense secretary; and Hillary Clinton, a woman who ran against me for president.

All that mattered that day was the mission. No one thought about politics. No one thought about themselves. One of the young men involved in the raid later told me that he didn't deserve credit for the mission. It only succeeded, he said, because every single member of that unit did their job—the pilot who landed the helicopter that spun out of control; the translator who kept others from entering the compound; the troops who separated the women and children from the fight; the SEALs who charged up the stairs. More than that, the mission only succeeded because every member of that unit trusted each other—because you can't charge up those stairs, into darkness and danger, unless you know that there's someone behind you, watching your back.

So it is with America. Each time I look at that flag, I'm reminded that our destiny is stitched together like those fifty stars and those thirteen stripes. No one built this country on their own. This Nation is great because we built it together. This Nation is great because we worked as a team. This Nation is great because we get each other's backs. And if we hold fast to that truth, in this moment of trial, there is no challenge too great; no mission too hard. As long as we're joined in common purpose, as long as we maintain our common resolve, our journey moves forward, our future is hopeful, and the state of our Union will always be strong.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God bless the United States of America.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *January 24, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4492. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspending Random Row Diversion Regulations Under the Marketing Order for Tart Cherries" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0047; FV11-930-1 FR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4493. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of (14) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4494. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Navy Fisher House Annual Report, Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4495. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Benjamin C. Freakley, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4496. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Hong Kong, China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4497. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Corporate Credit Unions" (RIN3133-AD95), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4498. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Rule; Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4499. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule; Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4500. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule; Suspension of Community Eligibility for Repealing Its Floodplain Management Regulations" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0020)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4501. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4502. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Export and Reexport License Requirements for Certain Microwave and Millimeter Wave Electronic Components" (RIN0694-AF38), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4503. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Savings (Regulation DD)" (RIN3170-AA06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4504. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4505. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4506. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending (Regulation Z)" (RIN3170-AA06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4507. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C)" (RIN3170-AA06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4508. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equal Credit Opportunity (Regulation B)" (RIN3170-AA06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4509. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13396 on February 7, 2006, with respect to Cote d'Ivoire; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4510. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations; Transnational Criminal Organizations Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Parts 501 and 590), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4511. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury transmitting, pursuant to law, (7) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4512. A communication from the Deputy to the Chairman, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Joint Final Rule: Community Reinvestment Act Regulations, Technical Amendments" (RIN3064-AD90), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4513. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2012 Report on Foreign Policy-Based Export Controls; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4514. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report for fiscal year 2011 of the Commerce Department's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4515. A communication from the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Export and Reexport License Requirements for Certain Microwave and Millimeter Wave Electronic Components"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4516. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Consolidated Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2012 and the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-4517. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Automatic Commercial Ice Makers" (RIN1904-AC38), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4518. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Renewable Energy Alternate Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf - Acquire a Lease Non-competitively; Correction" (RIN1010-AD71), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4519. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations, Areas of the National Park System, Cape Hatteras National Seashore - Off-Road Vehicle Management" (RIN1024-AD85), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 18, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4520. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report related to the Colorado River System Reservoirs for 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4521. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Attendance at NRC Staff-Sponsored Meetings" (NRC Management Directive 3.5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4522. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for Fuel Cycle Facility Change Process" (Regulatory Guide 3.74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4523. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Making Changes to Emergency Plans for Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.219), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the

Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4524. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "EPAAR Clause for Compliance with EPA Policies for Information Resources Management" (FRL No. 9616-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4525. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Underground Storage Tank Program: Approved State Program for the State of Oregon" (FRL No. 9615-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4526. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans: Alaska" (FRL No. 9616-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4527. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9480-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4528. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Ozone" (FRL No. 9616-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4529. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Interstate Transport of Pollution Revisions for the 1997 PM2.5 and 8-Hour Ozone NAAQS...." (FRL No. 9506-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4530. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Fine Particulate Standard for the Metropolitan Washington, DC-MD-VA and Martinsburg-Hagerstown, WV-MD Nonattainment Areas" (FRL No. 9616-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4531. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Rome; Fine Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9617-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4532. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9615-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4533. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Mexico: Final Authorization of State-initiated Changes and Incorporation-by-Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9613-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4534. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval, Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Colorado: Smoke, Opacity and Sulfur Dioxide Rule Revisions; Regulation 1" (FRL No. 9614-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4535. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and Imperial County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9617-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4536. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Placer County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9618-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4537. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Incorporation of Revised ASTM Standards that Provide Flexibility in the Use of Alternatives to Mercury-Containing Industrial Thermometers" (FRL No. 8880-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2034. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to human rights abuses committed against the people of Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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

S.J. Res. 35. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to authorizing regulation of contributions to candidates for State public office and Federal office by corporations, entities organized and operated

for profit, and labor organizations, and expenditures by such entities and labor organizations in support of, or opposition to such candidates; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. Res. 353. A resolution congratulating the North Dakota State University football team for winning the 2011 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football Championship Subdivision title; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 20

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 20, a bill to protect American job creation by striking the job-killing Federal employer mandate.

S. 84

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 84, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow refunds of Federal motor fuel excise taxes on fuels used in mobile mammography vehicles.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 490

At the request of Mr. TESTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 490, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the maximum age for children eligible for medical care under the CHAMPVA program, and for other purposes.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 504, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 509

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 509, a bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes.

S. 539

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 539, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act and the Social Security Act to extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 704

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 704, a bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

S. 707

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 707, a bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide further protection for puppies.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1035, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include automated fire sprinkler systems as section 179 property and classify certain automated fire sprinkler systems as 15-year property for purposes of depreciation.

S. 1214

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1214, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, regarding restrictions on the use of Department of Defense funds and facilities for abortions.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1354

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1354, a bill to authorize grants to promote media literacy and youth empowerment programs, to authorize research on the role and impact of depictions of girls and women in the media, to provide for the establishment of a National Task Force on Girls and Women in the Media, and for other purposes.

S. 1360

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1360, a bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures, and for other purposes.

S. 1369

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1369, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements.

S. 1381

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1381, a bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne disease, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

S. 1435

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1435, a bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to exclude child care from the determination of the 5-year limit on assistance under the temporary assistance for needy families program, and for other purposes.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1440, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 1451

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1451, a bill to prohibit the sale of billfish.

S. 1576

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1576, a bill to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1747

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1747, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to modify provisions relating to the exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers.

S. 1781

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1781, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received on account of claims based on certain unlawful discrimination and to allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards received on account of such claims, and for other purposes.

S. 1798

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1798, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that members of the Armed Forces who may have been exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits while deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure, and for other purposes.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1838

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1838, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on service dog training therapy, and for other purposes.

S. 1850

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1850, a bill to expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes.

S. 1868

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1868, a bill to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the Smithsonian American Latino Museum, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1897

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1897, a bill to amend Public Law 101-377 to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes.

S. 1911

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1911, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide recruitment and retention incentives for volunteer emergency service workers.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1964

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1964, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the harbor maintenance tax certain commercial cargo loaded or unloaded at United States ports in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2030

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2030, a bill to provide protection for consumers who have prepaid cards, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 34

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 34, a joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] and the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 34, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 285

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 285, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Habitat Day, October 3, 2011.

SENATE RESOLUTION 352

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 352, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should work with the Government of Haiti to address gender-based violence against women and children.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SANDERS,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 24, 2012, at 9:45 a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:54 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1141. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System.

H.R. 3117. An act to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes.

At 5:07 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3237. An act to amend the SOAR Act by clarifying the scope of coverage of the Act.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1141. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3117. An act to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

AUTHORITY FOR APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF ESCORT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the PRESIDENT pro tempore be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the Chamber of the House of Representatives for a joint session, to be held at 9 p.m. on today; and, subsequently,

AUTHORITY FOR APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF ESCORT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SANDERS,

Ordered, That the PRESIDING OFFICER be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the Chamber of the House of Representatives for the joint session, to be held at 9 p.m. on today.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

ORDER RELATIVE TO THE CONSIDERATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 98

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, on Thursday, January 26, 2012, the minority leader, or his designee, be recognized to make a motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 98) relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012; that the time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that, at 12 noon, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion; that, if the motion is agreed to, statutory time for debate on the joint resolution be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution; and that statutory provisions relative to consideration of the joint resolution remain in effect.

CONGRATULATING THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 353) congratulating the North Dakota State University football team for winning the 2011 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football Championship Subdivision title, submitted today by Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; HOUSE BILL REFERRED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1791) to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse"; and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

ORDERS FOR RECESS ON TODAY, FOR ADJOURNMENT UPON DISSOLUTION OF THE JOINT SESSION ON TODAY UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate recess until 8:30 p.m. on today; that, at 8:40 p.m., the Senate proceed as a body to the House of Representatives to receive a message from the President of the United States, as pursuant

to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 96) providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President; that, upon dissolution of the joint session, the Senate adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2012; that, on Thursday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to consider a motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 98, as pursuant to the order of today.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 4:41 p.m.,

The Senate recessed until 8:30 p.m. today.

AT 8:30 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) called the Senate to order.

At 8:35 p.m.,

The Senate proceeded in a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives to hear an address by the President of the United States, the Honorable Barack H. Obama.

The VICE PRESIDENT appointed the following committee of Senators to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the Chamber of the House of Representatives: Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. KYL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. BLUNT.

The two Houses being assembled,

The President of the United States addressed them, as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, Mr. Vice President, members of Congress, distinguished guests, and fellow Americans:

Last month, I went to Andrews Air Force Base and welcomed home some of our last troops to serve in Iraq. Together, we offered a final, proud salute to the colors under which more than a million of our fellow citizens fought—and several thousand gave their lives.

We gather tonight knowing that this generation of heroes has made the United States safer and more respected around the world. For the first time in nine years, there are no Americans fighting in Iraq. For the first time in two decades, Osama bin Laden is not a threat to this country. Most of al Qaeda's top lieutenants have been defeated. The Taliban's momentum has been broken, and some troops in Afghanistan have begun to come home.

These achievements are a testament to the courage, selflessness, and teamwork of America's Armed Forces. At a time when too many of our institutions have let us down, they exceed all expectations. They're not consumed with personal ambition. They don't obsess over their differences. They focus on the mission at hand. They work together.

Imagine what we could accomplish if we followed their example. Think about the America within our reach: A country that leads the world in educating its people. An America that attracts a new generation of high-tech manufacturing and high-paying jobs. A future where we're in control of our own energy, and our security and prosperity aren't so tied to unstable parts of the world. An economy built to last, where hard work pays off, and responsibility is rewarded.

We can do this. I know we can, because we've done it before. At the end of World War II, when another generation of heroes returned home from combat, they built the strongest economy and middle class the world has ever known. My grandfather, a veteran of Patton's Army, got the chance to go to college on the GI Bill. My grandmother, who worked on a bomber assembly line, was part of a workforce that turned out the best products on Earth.

The two of them shared the optimism of a Nation that had triumphed over a Depression and fascism. They understood they were part of something larger; that they were contributing to a story of success that *every* American had a chance to share—the basic American promise that if you worked hard, you could do well enough to raise a family, own a home, send your kids to college, and put a little away for retirement.

The defining issue of our time is how to keep that promise alive. No challenge is more urgent. No debate is more important. We can either settle for a country where a shrinking number of people do really well, while a growing number of Americans barely get by. Or we can restore an economy where everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same set of rules. What's at stake are not Democratic values or Republican values, but American values. We have to reclaim them.

Let's remember how we got here. Long before the recession, jobs and manufacturing began leaving our shores. Technology made businesses more efficient, but also made some jobs obsolete. Folks at the top saw their incomes rise like never before, but most hardworking Americans struggled with costs that were growing, paychecks that weren't, and personal debt that kept piling up.

In 2008, the house of cards collapsed. We learned that mortgages had been sold to people who couldn't afford or understand them. Banks had made huge bets and bonuses with other people's money. Regulators had looked the other way, or didn't have the authority to stop the bad behavior.

It was wrong. It was irresponsible. And it plunged our economy into a crisis that put millions out of work, saddled us with more debt, and left innocent, hard-working Americans holding the bag. In the six months before I took office, we lost nearly four million jobs. And we lost another four million before our policies were in full effect.

Those are the facts. But so are these. In the last 22 months, businesses have created more than three million jobs. Last year, they created the most jobs since 2005. American manufacturers are hiring again, creating jobs for the first time since the late 1990s. Together, we've agreed to cut the deficit by more than $2 trillion. And we've put in place new rules to hold Wall Street accountable, so a crisis like that never happens again.

The state of our Union is getting stronger. And we've come too far to turn back now. As long as I'm President, I will work with anyone in this chamber to build on this momentum. But I intend to fight obstruction with action, and I will oppose any effort to return to the very same policies that brought on this economic crisis in the first place.

No, we will not go back to an economy weakened by outsourcing, bad debt, and phony financial profits. Tonight, I want to speak about how we move forward, and lay out a blueprint for an economy that's built to last—an economy built on American manufacturing, American energy, skills for American workers, and a renewal of American values.

This blueprint begins with American manufacturing.

On the day I took office, our auto industry was on the verge of collapse. Some even said we should let it die. With a million jobs at stake, I refused to let that happen. In exchange for help, we demanded responsibility. We got workers and automakers to settle their differences. We got the industry to retool and restructure. Today, General Motors is back on top as the world's number one automaker. Chrysler has grown faster in the U.S. than any major car company. Ford is investing billions in U.S. plants and factories. And together, the entire industry added nearly 160,000 jobs.

We bet on American workers. We bet on American ingenuity. And tonight, the American auto industry is back.

What's happening in Detroit can happen in other industries. It can happen in Cleveland and Pittsburgh and Raleigh. We can't bring back every job that's left our shores. But right now, it's getting more expensive to do business in places like China. Meanwhile, America is more productive. A few weeks ago, the CEO of Master Lock told me that it now makes business sense for him to bring jobs back home. Today, for the first time in

fifteen years, Master Lock's unionized plant in Milwaukee is running at full capacity.

So we have a huge opportunity, at this moment, to bring manufacturing back. But we have to seize it. Tonight, my message to business leaders is simple: ask yourselves what you can do to bring jobs back to your country, and your country will do everything we can to help you succeed.

We should start with our tax code. Right now, companies get tax breaks for moving jobs and profits overseas. Meanwhile, companies that choose to stay in America get hit with one of the highest tax rates in the world. It makes no sense, and everyone knows it.

So let's change it. First, if you're a business that wants to outsource jobs, you shouldn't get a tax deduction for doing it. That money should be used to cover moving expenses for companies like Master Lock that decide to bring jobs home.

Second, no American company should be able to avoid paying its fair share of taxes by moving jobs and profits overseas. From now on, every multinational company should have to pay a basic minimum tax. And every penny should go towards lowering taxes for companies that choose to stay here and hire here.

Third, if you're an American manufacturer, you should get a bigger tax cut. If you're a high-tech manufacturer, we should double the tax deduction you get for making products here. And if you want to relocate in a community that was hit hard when a factory left town, you should get help financing a new plant, equipment, or training for new workers.

My message is simple. It's time to stop rewarding businesses that ship jobs overseas, and start rewarding companies that create jobs right here in America. Send me these tax reforms and I'll sign them right away.

We're also making it easier for American businesses to sell products all over the world. Two years ago, I set a goal of doubling U.S. exports over five years. With the bipartisan trade agreements I signed into law, we are on track to meet that goal—ahead of schedule. Soon, there will be millions of new customers for American goods in Panama, Colombia and South Korea. Soon, there will be new cars on the streets of Seoul imported from Detroit, and Toledo, and Chicago.

I will go anywhere in the world to open new markets for American products. And I will not stand by when our competitors don't play by the rules. We've brought trade cases against China at nearly twice the rate as the last administration—and it's made a difference. Over a thousand Americans are working today because we stopped a surge in Chinese tires. But we need to do more. It's not right when another country lets our movies, music, and software be pirated. It's not fair when foreign manufacturers have a leg up on ours only because they're heavily subsidized.

Tonight, I'm announcing the creation of a Trade Enforcement Unit that will be charged with investigating unfair trade practices in countries like China. There will be more inspections to prevent counterfeit or unsafe goods from crossing our borders. And this Congress should make sure that no foreign company has an advantage over American manufacturing when it comes to accessing finance or new markets like Russia. Our workers are the most productive on Earth, and if the playing field is level, I promise you—America will always win.

I also hear from many business leaders who want to hire in the United States, but can't find workers with the right skills. Growing industries in science and technology have twice as many openings as we have workers who can do the job. Think about that—openings at a time when millions of Americans are looking for work.

That's inexcusable. And we *know* how to fix it.

Jackie Bray is a single mom from North Carolina who was laid off from her job as a mechanic. Then Siemens opened a gas turbine factory in Charlotte, and formed a partnership with Central Piedmont Community College. The company helped the college design courses in laser and robotics training. It paid Jackie's tuition, then hired her to help operate their plant.

I want every American looking for work to have the same opportunity as Jackie did. Join me in a national commitment to train two million Americans with skills that will lead directly to a job. My Administration has already lined up more companies that want to help. Model partnerships between businesses like Siemens and community colleges in places like Charlotte, Orlando and Louisville are up and running. Now you need to give more community colleges the resources they need to become community career centers—places that teach people skills that local businesses are looking for right now, from data management to high-tech manufacturing.

And I want to cut through the maze of confusing training programs, so that from now on, people like Jackie have *one* program, *one* website, and *one* place to go for all the information and help they need. It's time to turn our unemployment system into a reemployment system that puts people to work.

These reforms will help people get jobs that are open today. But to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow, our commitment to skills and education has to start earlier.

For less than one percent of what our Nation spends on education each year, we've convinced nearly every State in the country to raise their standards for teaching and learning—the first time that's happened in a generation.

But challenges remain. And we know how to solve them.

At a time when other countries are doubling down on education, tight budgets have forced States to lay off thousands of teachers. We know a good teacher can increase the lifetime income of a classroom by over $250,000. A great teacher can offer an escape from poverty to the child who dreams beyond his circumstance. Every person in this chamber can point to a teacher who changed the trajectory of their lives. Most teachers work tirelessly, with modest pay, sometimes digging into their own pocket for school supplies—just to make a difference.

Teachers matter. So instead of bashing them, or defending the status quo, let's offer schools a deal. Give them the resources to keep good teachers on the job, and reward the *best* ones. In return, grant schools flexibility: to teach with creativity and passion, to stop teaching to the test, and to replace teachers who just aren't helping kids learn.

We also know that when students aren't allowed to walk away from their education, more of them walk the stage to get their diploma. So tonight, I call on every State to require that all students stay in high school until they graduate or turn eighteen.

When kids do graduate, the most daunting challenge can be the cost of college. At a time when Americans owe more in tuition debt than credit card debt, this Congress needs to stop the interest rates on student loans from doubling in July. Extend the tuition tax credit we started that saves middle-class families thousands of dollars. And give more young people the chance to earn their way through college by doubling the number of work-study jobs in the next five years.

Of course, it's not enough for us to increase student aid. We can't just keep subsidizing skyrocketing tuition; we'll run out of money. States also need to do their part, by making higher education a higher priority in their budgets. And colleges and universities have to do *their* part by working to keep costs down. Recently, I spoke with a group of college presidents who've done just that. Some schools re-design courses to help students finish more quickly. Some use better technology. The point is, it's possible. So let me put colleges and universities on notice: if you can't stop tuition from going up, the funding you get from taxpayers will go down. Higher education can't be a luxury—it's an economic imperative that every family in America should be able to afford.

Let's also remember that hundreds of thousands of talented, hardworking students in this country face another challenge: the fact that they aren't yet American citizens. Many were brought here as small children,

are American through and through, yet they live every day with the threat of deportation. Others came more recently, to study business and science and engineering, but as soon as they get their degree, we send them home to invent new products and create new jobs somewhere else.

That doesn't make sense.

I believe as strongly as ever that we should take on illegal immigration. That's why my Administration has put more boots on the border than ever before. That's why there are fewer illegal crossings than when I took office.

The opponents of action are out of excuses. We should be working on comprehensive immigration reform right now. But if election-year politics keeps Congress from acting on a comprehensive plan, let's at least agree to stop expelling responsible young people who want to staff our labs, start new businesses, and defend this country. Send me a law that gives them the chance to earn their citizenship. I will sign it right away.

You see, an economy built to last is one where we encourage the talent and ingenuity of *every* person in this country. That means women should earn equal pay for equal work. It means we should support *everyone* who's willing to work; and every risk-taker and entrepreneur who aspires to become the next Steve Jobs.

After all, innovation is what America has *always* been about. Most new jobs are created in start-ups and small businesses. So let's pass an agenda that helps them succeed. Tear down regulations that prevent aspiring entrepreneurs from getting the financing to grow. Expand tax relief to small businesses that are raising wages and creating good jobs. Both parties agree on these ideas. So put them in a bill, and get it on my desk this year.

Innovation also demands basic research. Today, the discoveries taking place in our federally-financed labs and universities could lead to new treatments that kill cancer cells but leave healthy ones untouched. New lightweight vests for cops and soldiers that can stop any bullet. Don't gut these investments in our budget. Don't let other countries win the race for the future. Support the same kind of research and innovation that led to the computer chip and the Internet; to new American jobs and new American industries.

Nowhere is the promise of innovation greater than in American-made energy. Over the last three years, we've opened millions of new acres for oil and gas exploration, and tonight, I'm directing my Administration to open more than 75 percent of our potential offshore oil and gas resources. Right now, American oil production is the highest that it's been in eight years. That's right—eight years. Not only that—last year, we relied less on foreign oil than in any of the past sixteen years.

But with only 2 percent of the world's oil reserves, oil isn't enough. This country needs an all-out, all-of-the-above strategy that develops every available source of American energy—a strategy that's cleaner, cheaper, and full of new jobs.

We have a supply of natural gas that can last America nearly one hundred years, and my Administration will take every possible action to safely develop this energy. Experts believe this will support more than 600,000 jobs by the end of the decade. And I'm requiring all companies that drill for gas on public lands to disclose the chemicals they use. America will develop this resource without putting the health and safety of our citizens at risk.

The development of natural gas will create jobs and power trucks and factories that are cleaner and cheaper, proving that we don't have to choose between our environment and our economy. And by the way, it was *public* research dollars, over the course of thirty years, that helped develop the technologies to extract all this natural gas out of shale rock—reminding us that Government support is critical in helping businesses get new energy ideas off the ground.

What's true for natural gas is true for clean energy. In three years, our partnership with the private sector has already positioned America to be the world's leading manufacturer of high-tech batteries. Because of federal investments, renewable energy use has nearly doubled. And thousands of Americans have jobs because of it.

When Bryan Ritterby was laid off from his job making furniture, he said he worried that at 55, no one would give him a second chance. But he found work at Energetx, a wind turbine manufacturer in Michigan. Before the recession, the factory only made luxury yachts. Today, it's hiring workers like Bryan, who said, "I'm proud to be working in the industry of the future."

Our experience with shale gas shows us that the payoffs on these public investments don't always come right away. Some technologies don't pan out; some companies fail. But I will not walk away from the promise of clean energy. I will not walk away from workers like Bryan. I will not cede the wind or solar or battery industry to China or Germany because we refuse to make the same commitment here. We have subsidized oil companies for a century. That's long enough. It's time to end the taxpayer giveaways to an industry that's rarely been more profitable, and double-down on a clean energy industry that's never been more promising. Pass clean energy tax credits and create these jobs.

We can also spur energy innovation with new incentives. The differences in this chamber may be too deep right now to pass a comprehensive plan to fight climate change. But there's no reason why Congress shouldn't at least set a clean energy standard that creates a market for innovation. So far, you haven't acted. Well tonight, I will. I'm directing my Administration to allow the development of clean energy on enough public land to power three million homes. And I'm proud to announce that the Department of Defense, the world's largest consumer of energy, will make one of the largest commitments to clean energy in history—with the Navy purchasing enough capacity to power a quarter of a million homes a year.

Of course, the easiest way to save money is to waste less energy. So here's another proposal: help manufacturers eliminate energy waste in their factories and give businesses incentives to upgrade their buildings. Their energy bills will be $100 billion lower over the next decade, and America will have less pollution, more manufacturing, and more jobs for construction workers who need them. Send me a bill that creates these jobs.

Building this new energy future should be just one part of a broader agenda to repair America's infrastructure. So much of America needs to be rebuilt. We've got crumbling roads and bridges. A power grid that wastes too much energy. An incomplete high-speed broadband network that prevents a small business owner in rural America from selling her products all over the world.

During the Great Depression, America built the Hoover Dam and the Golden Gate Bridge. After World War II, we connected our States with a system of highways. Democratic and Republican administrations invested in great projects that benefited everybody, from the workers who built them to the businesses that still use them today.

In the next few weeks, I will sign an Executive Order clearing away the red tape that slows down too many construction projects. But you need to fund these projects. Take the money we're no longer spending at war, use half of it to pay down our debt, and use the rest to do some nation-building right here at home.

There's never been a better time to build, especially since the construction industry was one of the hardest-hit when the housing bubble burst. Of course, construction workers weren't the only ones hurt. So were millions of innocent Americans who've seen their home values decline. And while Government can't fix the problem on its own, responsible homeowners shouldn't have to sit and wait for the housing market to hit bottom to get some relief.

That's why I'm sending this Congress a plan that gives every responsible homeowner the chance to save about $3,000 a year on their mortgage, by refinancing at historically low interest rates. No more red tape. No more runaround from the banks. A small fee on the largest financial institutions will ensure that it

won't add to the deficit, and will give banks that were rescued by taxpayers a chance to repay a deficit of trust.

Let's never forget: Millions of Americans who work hard and play by the rules every day deserve a Government and a financial system that do the same. It's time to apply the same rules from top to bottom: No bailouts, no handouts, and no copouts. An America built to last insists on responsibility from everybody.

We've *all* paid the price for lenders who sold mortgages to people who couldn't afford them, and buyers who *knew* they couldn't afford them. That's why we need smart regulations to prevent irresponsible behavior. Rules to prevent financial fraud, or toxic dumping, or faulty medical devices, don't *destroy* the free market. They make the free market work better.

There is no question that some regulations are outdated, unnecessary, or too costly. In fact, I've approved fewer regulations in the first three years of my presidency than my Republican predecessor did in his. I've ordered every federal agency to eliminate rules that don't make sense. We're revising over 500 more, just a fraction of reforms that will save business and citizens more than $10 billion over the next five years. We got rid of one rule from 40 years ago that could have forced some dairy farmers to spend $10,000 a year proving that they could contain a spill—because milk was somehow classified as an oil. With a rule like that, I guess it was worth crying over spilled milk.

I'm confident a farmer can contain a milk spill without a federal agency looking over his shoulder. But I will not back down from making sure an oil company can contain the kind of oil spill we saw in the Gulf two years ago. I will not back down from protecting our kids from mercury pollution, or making sure that our food is safe and our water is clean. I will not go back to the days when health insurance companies had unchecked power to cancel your policy, deny you coverage, or charge women differently from men.

And I will not go back to the days when Wall Street was allowed to play by its own set of rules. The new rules we passed restore what should be any financial system's core purpose: getting funding to entrepreneurs with the best ideas, and getting loans to responsible families who want to buy a home, start a business, or send a kid to college.

So if you're a big bank or financial institution, you are no longer allowed to make risky bets with your customers' deposits. You're required to write out a "living will" that details exactly how you'll pay the bills if you fail—because the rest of us aren't bailing you out ever again. And if you're a mortgage lender or a payday lender or a credit card company, the days of signing people up for products they can't afford with confusing forms and deceptive practices are over. Today, American consumers finally have a watchdog in Richard Cordray with one job: to look out for them.

We will also establish a Financial Crimes Unit of highly trained investigators to crack down on large-scale fraud and protect people's investments. Some financial firms violate major anti-fraud laws because there's no real penalty for being a repeat offender. That's bad for consumers, and it's bad for the vast majority of bankers and financial service professionals who do the right thing. So pass legislation that makes the penalties for fraud count.

And tonight, I am asking my Attorney General to create a special unit of federal prosecutors and leading state attorneys general to expand our investigations into the abusive lending and packaging of risky mortgages that led to the housing crisis. This new unit will hold accountable those who broke the law, speed assistance to homeowners, and help turn the page on an era of recklessness that hurt so many Americans.

A return to the American values of fair play and shared responsibility will help us protect our people and our economy. But it should also guide us as we look to pay down our debt and invest in our future.

Right now, our most immediate priority is stopping a tax hike on 160 million working Americans while the recovery is still fragile. People cannot afford losing $40 out of each paycheck this year. There are plenty of ways to get this done. So let's agree right here, right now: No side issues. No drama. Pass the payroll tax cut without delay.

When it comes to the deficit, we've already agreed to more than $2 trillion in cuts and savings. But we need to do more, and that means making choices. Right now, we're poised to spend nearly $1 trillion more on what was supposed to be a temporary tax break for the wealthiest 2 percent of Americans. Right now, because of loopholes and shelters in the tax code, a quarter of all millionaires pay lower tax rates than millions of middle-class households. Right now, Warren Buffett pays a lower tax rate than his secretary.

Do we want to keep these tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans? Or do we want to keep our investments in everything else—like education and medical research; a strong military and care for our veterans? Because if we're serious about paying down our debt, we can't do both.

The American people know what the right choice is. So do I. As I told the Speaker this summer, I'm prepared to make more reforms that rein in the long term costs of Medicare and Medicaid, and strengthen Social Security, so long as those programs remain a guarantee of security for seniors.

But in return, we need to change our tax code so that people like me, and an awful lot of Members of Congress, pay our fair share of taxes. Tax reform should follow the Buffett rule: if you make more than $1 million a year, you should not pay less than 30 percent in taxes. And my Republican friend TOM COBURN is right: Washington should stop subsidizing millionaires. In fact, if you're earning a million dollars a year, you shouldn't get special tax subsidies or deductions. On the other hand, if you make under $250,000 a year, like 98 percent of American families, your taxes shouldn't go up. You're the ones struggling with rising costs and stagnant wages. You're the ones who need relief.

Now, you can call this class warfare all you want. But asking a billionaire to pay at least as much as his secretary in taxes? Most Americans would call that common sense.

We don't begrudge financial success in this country. We admire it. When Americans talk about folks like me paying my fair share of taxes, it's not because they envy the rich. It's because they understand that when I get tax breaks I don't need and the country can't afford, it either adds to the deficit, or somebody else has to make up the difference—like a senior on a fixed income; or a student trying to get through school; or a family trying to make ends meet. That's not right. Americans know it's not right. They know that this generation's success is only possible because past generations felt a responsibility to each other, and to their country's future, and they know our way of life will only endure if we feel that same sense of shared responsibility. *That's* how we'll reduce our deficit. *That's* an America built to last.

I recognize that people watching tonight have differing views about taxes and debt; energy and health care. But no matter what party they belong to, I bet most Americans are thinking the same thing right now: nothing will get done this year, or next year, or maybe even the year after that, because Washington is broken.

Can you blame them for feeling a little cynical?

The greatest blow to confidence in our economy last year didn't come from events beyond our control. It came from a debate in Washington over whether the United States would pay its bills or not. Who benefited from that fiasco?

I've talked tonight about the deficit of trust between Main Street and Wall Street. But the divide between this city and the rest of the country is at least as bad—and it seems to get worse every year.

Some of this has to do with the corrosive influence of money in politics. So together, let's take some steps to fix that. Send me a bill that bans insider trading by Members of Congress, and I will sign it tomorrow. Let's limit any elected official from owning stocks in industries they impact. Let's make sure

people who bundle campaign contributions for Congress can't lobby Congress, and vice versa—an idea that has bipartisan support, at least outside of Washington.

Some of what's broken has to do with the way Congress does its business these days. A simple majority is no longer enough to get *anything*—even routine business—passed through the Senate. Neither party has been blameless in these tactics. Now both parties should put an end to it. For starters, I ask the Senate to pass a rule that all judicial and public service nominations receive a simple up or down vote within 90 days.

The executive branch also needs to change. Too often, it's inefficient, outdated and remote. That's why I've asked this Congress to grant me the authority to consolidate the federal bureaucracy so that our Government is leaner, quicker, and more responsive to the needs of the American people.

Finally, none of these reforms can happen unless we also lower the temperature in this town. We need to end the notion that the two parties must be locked in a perpetual campaign of mutual destruction; that politics is about clinging to rigid ideologies instead of building consensus around common sense ideas.

I'm a Democrat. But I believe what Republican Abraham Lincoln believed: that Government should do for people only what they cannot do better by themselves, and no more. That's why my education reform offers more competition, and more control for schools and States. That's why we're getting rid of regulations that don't work. That's why our health care law relies on a reformed private market, not a Government program.

On the other hand, even my Republican friends who complain the most about Government spending have supported federally-financed roads, and clean energy projects, and federal offices for the folks back home.

The point is, we should *all* want a smarter, more effective Government. And while we may not be able to bridge our biggest philosophical differences this year, we can make real progress. With or without this Congress, I will keep taking actions that help the economy grow. But I can do a whole lot more with your help. Because when we act together, there is nothing the United States of America can't achieve.

That is the lesson we've learned from our actions abroad over the last few years.

Ending the Iraq war has allowed us to strike decisive blows against our enemies. From Pakistan to Yemen, the al Qaeda operatives who remain are scrambling, knowing that they can't escape the reach of the United States of America.

From this position of strength, we've begun to wind down the war in Afghanistan. Ten thousand of our troops have come home. Twenty-three thousand more will leave by the end of this summer. This transition to Afghan lead will continue, and we will build an enduring partnership with Afghanistan, so that it is never again a source of attacks against America.

As the tide of war recedes, a wave of change has washed across the Middle East and North Africa, from Tunis to Cairo; from Sana'a to Tripoli. A year ago, Qadhafi was one of the world's longest-serving dictators—a murderer with American blood on his hands. Today, he is gone. And in Syria, I have no doubt that the Assad regime will soon discover that the forces of change can't be reversed, and that human dignity can't be denied.

How this incredible transformation will end remains uncertain. But we have a huge stake in the outcome. And while it is ultimately up to the people of the region to decide their fate, we will advocate for those values that have served our own country so well. We will stand against violence and intimidation. We will stand for the rights and dignity of all human beings—men and women; Christians, Muslims and Jews. We will support policies that lead to strong and stable democracies and open markets, because tyranny is no match for liberty.

And we will safeguard America's own security against those who threaten our citizens, our friends, and our interests. Look at Iran. Through the power of our diplomacy, a world that was once divided about how to deal with Iran's nuclear program now stands as one. The regime is more isolated than ever before; its leaders are faced with crippling sanctions, and as long as they shirk their responsibilities, this pressure will not relent. Let there be no doubt: America is determined to prevent Iran from getting a nuclear weapon, and I will take no options off the table to achieve that goal. But a peaceful resolution of this issue is still possible, and far better, and if Iran changes course and meets its obligations, it can rejoin the community of nations.

The renewal of American leadership can be felt across the globe. Our oldest alliances in Europe and Asia are stronger than ever. Our ties to the Americas are deeper. Our iron-clad commitment to Israel's security has meant the closest military cooperation between our two countries in history. We've made it clear that America is a Pacific power, and a new beginning in Burma has lit a new hope. From the coalitions we've built to secure nuclear materials, to the missions we've led against hunger and disease; from the blows we've dealt to our enemies; to the enduring power of our moral example, America is back.

Anyone who tells you otherwise, anyone who tells you that America is in decline or that our influence has waned, doesn't know what they're talking about. That's not the message we get from leaders around the world, all of whom are eager to work with us. That's not how people feel from Tokyo to Berlin; from Cape Town to Rio; where opinions of America are higher than they've been in years. Yes, the world is changing; no, we can't control every event. But America remains the one indispensable nation in world affairs—and as long as I'm President, I intend to keep it that way.

That's why, working with our military leaders, I have proposed a new defense strategy that ensures we maintain the finest military in the world, while saving nearly half a trillion dollars in our budget. To stay one step ahead of our adversaries, I have already sent this Congress legislation that will secure our country from the growing danger of cyberthreats.

Above all, our freedom endures because of the men and women in uniform who defend it. As they come home, we must serve them as well as they served us. That includes giving them the care and benefits they have earned—which is why we've increased annual VA spending every year I've been President. And it means enlisting our veterans in the work of rebuilding our Nation.

With the bipartisan support of this Congress, we are providing new tax credits to companies that hire vets. Michelle and Jill Biden have worked with American businesses to secure a pledge of 135,000 jobs for veterans and their families. And tonight, I'm proposing a Veterans Job Corps that will help our communities hire veterans as cops and firefighters, so that America is as strong as those who defend her.

Which brings me back to where I began. Those of us who've been sent here to serve can learn from the service of our troops. When you put on that uniform, it doesn't matter if you're black or white; Asian or Latino; conservative or liberal; rich or poor; gay or straight. When you're marching into battle, you look out for the person next to you, or the mission fails. When you're in the thick of the fight, you rise or fall as one unit, serving one Nation, leaving no one behind.

One of my proudest possessions is the flag that the SEAL Team took with them on the mission to kill bin Laden. On it are each of their names. Some may be Democrats. Some may be Republicans. But that doesn't matter. Just like it didn't matter that day in the Situation Room, when I sat next to Bob Gates—a man who was George Bush's defense secretary; and Hillary Clinton, a woman who ran against me for president.

All that mattered that day was the mission. No one thought about politics. No one thought about themselves. One of the young men involved in the raid later told me that he didn't deserve credit for the mission. It only succeeded, he said, because every single member of that unit did their job—the pilot who landed the helicopter that spun out of control; the translator who kept others from entering the compound; the troops who

separated the women and children from the fight; the SEALs who charged up the stairs. More than that, the mission only succeeded because every member of that unit trusted each other—because you can't charge up those stairs, into darkness and danger, unless you know that there's someone behind you, watching your back.

So it is with America. Each time I look at that flag, I'm reminded that our destiny is stitched together like those fifty stars and those thirteen stripes. No one built this country on their own. This Nation is great because we built it together. This Nation is great because we worked as a team. This Nation is great because we get each other's backs. And if we hold fast to that truth, in this moment of trial, there is no challenge too great; no mission too hard. As long as we're joined in common purpose, as long as we maintain our common resolve, our journey moves forward, our future is hopeful, and the state of our Union will always be strong.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God bless the United States of America."

Upon conclusion of the address,

At 10:23p.m.,

The Joint Session was dissolved; and

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:23 p.m.,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2012.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend James E. Smith, Senior Pastor of Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Pioneer, Louisiana, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, January 24, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, January 24, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 98

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, January 24, 2012,

On motion by Mr. MCCONNELL that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 98) relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. HATCH,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 44, nays... 52

[Rollcall Vote No. 2 Leg.]

YEAS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4538. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Missouri; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)" (FRL No. 9621-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4539. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9620-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4540. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Clean Vehicle Program" (FRL No. 9620-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4541. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Great Lakes Steamship Repower Incentive Program" (FRL No. 9618-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4542. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Participation in the Development and Use of Consensus Standards" (NRC Management Directive 6.5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4543. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Benefit Programs: Negotiated Pricing and Remaining Revisions; Prescription Drug Benefit Program: Payments to Sponsors of Retiree Prescription Drug Plans" (RIN0938-AP64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4544. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Regulations Regarding Eligibility for a Medicare Prescription Drug Subsidy" (RIN0960-AH24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4545. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mailing of Tickets Under the Ticket to Work Program" (RIN0960-AH34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4546. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Permitted Disparity in Employer-provided Contributions or Benefits" (Rev. Rul. 2012-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4547. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repub. of Rev. Proc. 2011-6" (Rev. Proc. 2012-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4548. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repub. of Rev. Proc. 2011-4" (Rev. Proc. 2012-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4549. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation and Apportionment of Interest Expense" ((RIN1545-BJ84)(TD 9571)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4550. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repub. Rev. Proc. 2011-5" (Rev. Proc. 2012-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4551. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4552. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repub. Rev. Proc. 2011-8" (Rev. Proc. 2012-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4553. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Guidance on Informational Reporting to Employees of the Cost of Their Group Health Insurance Coverage" (Notice 2012-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4554. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dividend Equivalents from Sources within the United States" ((RIN1545-BK53)(TD 9572)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4555. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "HARP Safe Harbor Guidance for REITs" (Rev. Proc. 2012-14), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4556. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Proportional Method for OID on Pools of Credit Card Receivables" (Notice 2012-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4557. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deadline to Submit Opinion and Advisory Letter Applications for Pre-approved Defined Contribution Plans is Extended to April 2, 2012" (Announcement 2012-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4558. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Current Refunding of Tax-exempt Bonds in Certain Disaster Relief Bond Programs" (Notice 2012-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4559. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Regarding Deduction and Capitalization of Expenditures Related to Tangible Property" (TD 9564), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4560. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities of the Office of the Medicare Ombudsman; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4561. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Post Acute Care Payment Reform Demonstration (PAC-PRD)"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4562. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Children's Health Insurance Program: An Evaluation (1997 - 2010)"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4563. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conduit Financing Arrangements" ((RIN1545-BH77)(TD 9562)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4564. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Welfare Outcomes 2006-2009 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4565. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lists of Regions Classified with Respect to Certain Animal Diseases and States Approved to Receive Certain Imported Horses" ((RIN0579-AD05)(Docket No. APHIS-2009-0035)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4566. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Real-Time Public Reporting of Swap Transaction Data" (RIN3038-AD08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4567. A communication from the Acting Chief of Planning and Regulatory Affairs, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applying for Free and Reduced Price Meals in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and for Benefits in the Special Milk Program, and Technical Amendments" (RIN0584-AD54), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4568. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "European Larch Canker; Expansion of Regulated Areas" (Docket No. APHIS-2011-0029), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4569. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program" (RIN0575-AA87), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4570. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus amyloliquefaciens Strain D747; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9334-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4571. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus amyloliquefaciens Strain D747; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9330-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4572. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus Subtilis strain CX-9060; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9330-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4573. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Registration of Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants" (RIN3038-AC95), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4574. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Swap Data Recordkeeping and Reporting" (RIN3038-AD19), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4575. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Pilot Program for Acquisition of Military-Purpose Nondevelopment Items" ((RIN0750-AH27)-(DFARS Case 2011-D034)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4576. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Designated Country-Armenia" ((RIN0750-AH48)-(DFARS Case 2011-D057)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4577. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Trade Agreements Thresholds" ((RIN0750-AH50)(DFARS Case 2012-D005)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4578. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Independent Research and Development Technical Descriptions" ((RIN0750-AG96)(DFARS Case 2011-D011), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4579. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the

insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4580. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4581. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Cooperative Threat Reduction Programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4582. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to assistance provided by the Department of Defense (DOD) for sporting events during calendar year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4583. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Cooperative Threat Reduction Programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4584. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Department's Chemical Demilitarization Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4585. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Reinvestment Act Regulations" (RIN1557-AD60), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4586. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Home Loan Bank Housing Goals: Mortgage Reporting Amendments" (RIN2590-AA48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4587. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Remittance Transfers" (RIN3133-AD94), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4588. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fair Credit Reporting (Regulation V)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0029)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4589. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy of Consumer Financial Information (Regulation P)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0028)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4590. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mortgage Acts and Practices-Advertising (Regulation N); Mortgage Assistance Relief Services (Regulation O)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0027)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4591. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consumer Leasing (Regulation M)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0026)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4592. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interstate Land Sales Registration Program (Regulations J, K, and L)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0025)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4593. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure Requirements for Depository Institutions Lacking Federal Deposit Insurance (Regulation I)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0024)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4594. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act (Regulations G and H)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0023)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4595. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (Regulation F)" ((RIN3170-AA06)-(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0022)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4596. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Fund Transfers (Regulation E)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0021)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4597. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (Regulation X)" ((RIN3170-AA06)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0030)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4598. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4599. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4600. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month report on the

national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13159 relative to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4601. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4602. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4603. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4604. A communication from the Chief of the Division of Management Authority and International Affairs Programs, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Regulation that Excludes U.S. Captive-Bred Scimitar-Horned Oryx, Addax, and Dama Gazelle from Certain Prohibitions" (RIN1018-AX29), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4605. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Estimates of Natural Gas and Oil Reserves, Reserves Growth, and Undiscovered Resources in Federal and State Waters off the Coasts of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4606. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of CC: INTL No-Rule Revenue Procedure, Rev. Proc. 2011-7" (Rev. Proc. 2012-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4607. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Simplification: Adoption of Standards for Health Care Electronic Funds Transfers (EFTs) and Remittance Advice" (RIN0938-AQ11), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4608. A communication from the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, transmitting, a legislative proposal relative to improving work incentive provisions and extending the funding authority for the Work Incentive Planning and Assistance (WIPA) program and the Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS) program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4609. A communication from the Acting Executive Secretary, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4610. A communication from the Acting Executive Secretary, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4611. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services for the manufacture and sales of F-15 Head-Up Displays (HUD) in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4612. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services for upgrade of current Swiss simulator training devices to reflect the same configuration as Swiss F/A-18 aircraft to support the F/A-18 Tactical Operational Flight Trainer Program for Switzerland in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4613. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed export of major defense equipment in the amount of $14,000 or more and the export of defense articles to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Indonesia necessary to support the upgrade and retrofit of C-130B aircraft in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4614. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4615. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report on the continued compliance of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan with the 1974 Trade Act's freedom of emigration provisions, as required under the Jackson-Vanik Amendment; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4616. A joint communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State and the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "United States Activities in Libya"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4617. A communication of from the Director of the Credit, Travel and Grants Policy Division, Office of the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Office Management and Budget Guidance on Drug-Free Workplace Requirements" (RIN0505-AA14), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4618. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Race to the Top Fund Phase 3" (RIN1894-AA01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4619. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Family Educational Rights and Privacy" (RIN1880-AA86), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4620. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022 and 4044), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4621. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Food and Drug Administration Approval to Market a New Drug; Revision of Postmarketing Reporting Requirements - Discontinuance" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0898), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4622. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Animal Drugs; Cephalosporin Drugs; Extralabel Animal Drug Use; Order of Prohibition" (Docket No. FDA-2008-N-0326), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4623. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Labeling Requirements for Blood and Blood Components, Including Source Plasma" (Docket No. FDA-2003-N-0097), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4624. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temperature-Indicating Devices; Thermally Processed Low-Acid Foods Packaged in Hermetically Sealed Containers; Correction" (Docket No. FDA-2007-N-0265), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4625. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Ovarian Adnexal Mass Assessment Score Test System; Labeling; Black Box Restrictions" (Docket No. FDA-2011-D-0028), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4626. A communication from the Program Manager, Administration for Children, Youth and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Child Welfare Interim Final Rule" (RIN0970-AC41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4627. A communication from the Executive Analyst, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4628. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration on Aging's Report to Congress for fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4629. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the combined fourth and fifth quarterly reports relative to the steps the Food and Drug Administration has taken to implement the Menu and Vending Machine Labeling provisions from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4630. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the use of the exemption from the antitrust laws provided by the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4631. A communication from the Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Declassification of National Security Information" (RIN3095-AB64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4632. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Implementation of Information Technology Security Provision" ((RIN3090-AJ15)(GSAR Case 2011-G503)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4633. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-269 "Health Benefit Exchange Authority Establishment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4634. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-242 "Electrician Equality Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4635. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-243 "Executive Service Compensation Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4636. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-244 "Workforce Intermediary Establishment and Reform of First Source Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4637. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-245 "William O. Lockridge Way Designation Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4638. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-246 "Uniform Foreign-

Country Money Judgments Recognition Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4639. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-247 "Closing of a Portion of the Public Alley in Square 5052, S.O. 10-00603, Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4640. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-248 "Comprehensive Military and Overseas Voters Accommodation Temporary Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4641. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-249 "Economic Development Special Account Revival Temporary Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4642. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-250 "Income Tax Withholding Statements Electronic Submission Temporary Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4643. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-251 "Clarification of Personal Property Tax Revenue Reporting Temporary Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4644. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-252 "Ward Redistricting Temporary Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4645. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-262 "Receiving Stolen Property and Public Safety Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4646. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-263 "Oak Hill Conservation Easement Temporary Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4647. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-270 "President Primary Ballot Access Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4648. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-271 "Unemployment Compensation Federally Funded Extended Benefits Maximization Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4649. A communication from the Executive Director, Office of the Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2011 Competitive Sourcing annual report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4650. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, the President's Pay Agent, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the extension of locality-based comparability payments; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4651. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2011 Financial Report of the U.S. Government; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4652. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4653. A communication from the Chairman of the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4654. A communication from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2011 Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4655. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Commerce's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4656. A communication from the Under Secretary and Director, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement the Prioritized Examination for Requests for Continued Examination" (RIN0651-AC65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4657. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Office of General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Prisons, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Literacy Program Final Rule" (RIN1120-AA33), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4658. A communication from the Director of the Office of Tribal Justice, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assumption of Concurrent Federal Criminal Jurisdiction in Certain Areas of Indian Country" (RIN1105-AB38), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4659. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Coombsville Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB81), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 29, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4660. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Naches Heights Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB80), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 29, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4661. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Fort Ross-Seaview Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AA64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 29, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4662. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2010 Annual Report of the National Institute of Justice"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4663. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment

of members to the Hawaii Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4664. A communication from the President, American Academy of Arts and Letters, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Academy's activities during the year ending December 27, 2010; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4665. A communication from the Associate Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4666. A communication from the Acting Register of Copyrights, United States Copyright Office, Library of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to sound recordings fixed before February 15, 1972; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4667. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4668. A communication from the General Counsel and Acting Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2010 Election Administration and Voting Survey"; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4669. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Jobs Act: Implementation of Conforming and Technical Amendments" (RIN3245-AG15), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-4670. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Jobs Act: 504 Loan Program Debt Refinancing" (RIN3245-AG17), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-4671. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Benefits for Newborn Children of Certain Woman Veterans" (RIN2900-AO05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4672. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Copayments for Medications in 2012" (RIN2900-AO28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4673. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payment or Reimbursement for Emergency Treatment Furnished by Non-VA Providers in Non-VA Facilities to Certain Veterans with Service-connected or Nonservice-connected Disabilities" (RIN2900-AN49), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4674. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program - Changes to Subsistence January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4675. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Statutory Period for Compensation for Certain Disabilities Due to Undiagnosed Illness and Medically Unexplained Chronic Multi-Symptom Illness" (RIN2900-AO09), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4676. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Evaluation of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis" (RIN2900-AN60), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4677. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loan Guaranty Revised Loan Modification Procedures" (RIN2900-AN78), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 50. A bill to strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities with respect to commercially marketed seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to coordinate with the Federal Trade Commission and other appropriate Federal agencies to strengthen and coordinate those programs and activities (Rept. No. 112-131).

S. 52. A bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-132).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 363, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-133).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 485. A bill to expand the boundaries of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-134).

S. 1665. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-135).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment:

S. 97. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to support the restoration of San Francisco Bay (Rept. No. 112-136).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 893. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Louisiana for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control feral swine and to assess and restore wetlands damaged by feral swine (Rept. No. 112-137).

S. 1296. A bill to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in the State of Rhode Island (Rept. No. 112-138).

S. 1740. A bill to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the reauthorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network (Rept. No. 112-139).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1789. A bill to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2038. An original bill to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 2035. A bill to provide support for workforce residential housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 2036. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 2037. A bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2038. An original bill to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2039. A bill to allow a State or local government to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space lands; considered and passed.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. VITTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2040. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to establish a point of order to prohibit an increase or other modification of the public debt limit unless a concurrent resolution on the budget has been agreed to and is in effect; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. Res. 354. A resolution honoring the life of dissident and democracy activist Wilman Villar Mendoza and condemning the Castro regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. Res. 355. A resolution honoring the memory of Special Agent Jared Francom of the Ogden, Utah Police Department; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 165

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 165, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities.

S. 376

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 376, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment.

S. 416

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 416, a bill to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes.

S. 648

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 648, a bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to revise the medical and evaluation criteria for determining disability in a person diagnosed with Huntington's Disease and to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare eligibility for individuals disabled by Huntington's Disease.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 821, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 968

At the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 968, a bill to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 968, supra.

S. 987

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 987, a bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 1161

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1161, a bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits.

S. 1223

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1223, a bill to address voluntary location tracking of electronic communications devices, and for other purposes.

S. 1231

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1231, a bill to reauthorize the Second Chance Act of 2007.

S. 1316

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1316, a bill to

prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending.

S. 1333

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1333, a bill to provide for the treatment and temporary financing of short-time compensation programs.

S. 1360

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1360, a bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures, and for other purposes.

S. 1375

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1375, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that corporate tax benefits based upon stock option compensation expenses be consistent with accounting expenses shown in corporate financial statements for such compensation.

S. 1451

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1451, a bill to prohibit the sale of billfish.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1494

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1494, a bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act.

S. 1575

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1575, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1645

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1645, a bill to establish an Oleoresin Capsicum Spray Pilot Program in the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes.

S. 1895

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1895, a bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program for the award of grants to States to establish revolving loan funds for small and medium-sized manufacturers to improve energy efficiency and produce clean energy technology, to provide a tax credit for farmers' investments in value-added agriculture, and for other purposes.

S. 1903

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1903, a bill to prohibit commodities and securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transactions, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE RESOLUTION 176

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 176, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BILL NELSON,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 26, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., in

room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 26, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Compliance with Tax Limits on Mutual Fund Commodity Speculation."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 26, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:33 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 290. An act to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1022. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2070. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the Nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

H.R. 3800. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3801. An act to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to clarify the definition of aircraft and the offenses penalized under the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, and the order of the House of Wednesday, January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2013: Mr. Daniel M. Slane of Ohio.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 290. An act to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 1022. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

H.R. 2070. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF SPECIAL AGENT JARED FRANCOM OF THE OGDEN, UTAH POLICE DEPARTMENT

On the request of Mr. HATCH,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 355) honoring the memory of Special Agent Jared Francom of the Ogden, Utah Police Department, submitted today by Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2038

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2038:

HARRY REID, J. LIEBERMAN, SHERROD BROWN, JOE MANCHIN, TOM UDALL, MARK BEGICH, HERB KOHL, BILL NELSON, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, JEANNE SHAHEEN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BEN CARDIN, CHRIS COONS, DIANNE FEINSTEIN, PAT LEAHY, DICK DURBIN, PATTY MURRAY, CHUCK SCHUMER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate at 5:30 p.m. on Monday next.

EXTENDING THE FUNDING AND EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY OF THE AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3800) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ULTRALIGHT AIRCRAFT SMUGGLING PREVENTION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3801) to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to clarify the definition of aircraft and the offenses penalized under the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ALLOWING A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO CONSTRUCT LEVEES ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2039) to allow a State or local government to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space lands, introduced on today by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. CONRAD), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mrs. BOXER) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1469, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Ordered further, That, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2038; and that the time until 5:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Mr. BOOZMAN and Mr. HATCH.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 5:03 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 2012.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 30, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4678. A communication from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Board's competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4679. A communication from the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National 911 Program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4680. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the awarding of funding made available by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4681. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "NASA: Key Controls NASA Employs to Guide Use and Management of Funded Space Act Agreements are Generally Sufficient, but Some Could Be Strengthened and Clarified"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4682. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Do-Not-Call Registry Fee Extension Act of 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4683. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Investment Surveys: BE-12, Benchmark Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States--2012" (RIN0691-AA80), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4684. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department

of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Miscellaneous Amendments; Response to Appeals; Corrections" (RIN2137-AE84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4685. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hours of Service of Drivers" (RIN2126-AB26), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4686. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "911 Service, Phase II Accuracy" (FCC 11-107), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4687. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Milford, Utah)" (MB Docket No. 11-64, RM-11598), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4688. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures, Third Report and Order" (MB Docket No. 09-52, RM-11528), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4689. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "911 Service, Phase II Accuracy" (FCC 10-176), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4690. A communication from the Chief of the Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 2 and 95 of the Commission's Rules to Provide Additional Spectrum for the Medical Device Radiocommunication Service in the 413-457 MHz Band." (FCC 11-176), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4691. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Commerce, transmitting, proposed legislation entitled "Port State Measures Agreement Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4692. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Fayette, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0559)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4693. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Winters, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0608)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4694. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Alice, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0498)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4695. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Ardmore, OK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0851)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4696. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Emmonak, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0880)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4697. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Tatitlek, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0757)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4698. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Nashville, AR" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0497)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4699. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Danville Airport, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0766)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4700. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Los Angeles, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0496)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4701. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Class E Airspace; Umiat, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0750)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4702. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of

Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Dalles, OR" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0893)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4703. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Blythe, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0585)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4704. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class B Airspace; Seattle, WA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0232)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4705. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (77); Amdt. No. 3451" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4706. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (77); Amdt. No. 3450" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4707. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments (4); Amdt. No. 497" (RIN2120-AA63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4708. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flightcrew Member Duty and Rest Requirements" (RIN2120-AJ58), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4709. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment and Establishment of Air Traffic Service Routes; Northeast United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0376)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4710. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Harmonization of Airworthiness Standards for Transport Category Airplanes - Landing Gear Retracting Mechanisms and Pilot Compartment View" (RIN 2120-AJ80), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4711. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Pilot, Flight Instructor, Ground Instructor, and Pilot School Rules (Part 61)" ((RIN2120-AI86)(Docket No. FAA-2006-26661)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 30, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4712. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pilot, Flight Instructor, and Pilot School Certification; Technical Amendment" ((RIN2120-AI86)-(Docket No. FAA-2006-26661)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4713. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (34); Amdt. No. 3457" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4714. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (98); Amdt. No. 3456" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4715. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1256)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4716. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International, Inc. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1261)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4717. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1252)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4718. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Quest Aircraft Design, LLC Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1328)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4719. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law,

the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model EC 120B Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4720. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BRP-Powertrain GmbH and Co. KG Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1299)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4721. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Model 737-200, -200C, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0914)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4722. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0720)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4723. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model AS350B, B1, B2, B3, BA, C, D, and D1; and AS355E, F, F1, F2, N, and NP Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1158)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4724. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Model CL-600-2B19 (Regional Jet Series 100 and 440) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0648)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4725. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Piaggio Aero Industries S.p.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0954)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4726. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1206)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4727. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Model GV and GV-SP Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0572)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4728. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division (PW) PW4000 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0733)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4729. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2007-27747), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4730. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd and Co KG (RRD) BR700-710 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0684)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4731. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4732. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1298)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4733. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada PT6A-15AG, -27, -28, -34, -34AG, -34B, and -36 Series Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1038)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4734. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Learjet Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0651)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4735. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness

Directives; Honeywell International, Inc. TPE331 Model Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0935)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4736. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Authorization to Use Lower Than Standard Takeoff, Approach and Landing Minimums at Military and Foreign Airports" (RIN2120-AK02), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4737. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. Model 204B, 205A, 205A-1, 205B, 210, 212, 412, 412CF, 412EP Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1041)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4738. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Erickson Air-Crane Incorporated Model S-64F Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0909)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4739. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France (Eurocopter) Model EC225LP Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1074)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4740. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation (Sikorsky) Model S-92A Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0792)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4741. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France (Eurocopter) Model EC225LP Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1033)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4742. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Model CL-215-1A10, CL-215-6B11 (CL-215T Variant), and CL-215-6B11 (CL-415 Variant) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1096)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4743. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France (Eurocopter) Model AS332C, AS332L, AS332L1, and AS332L2 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0939)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4744. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0650)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4745. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0255)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4746. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Model 777-200, -200LR, -300, and -300ER Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1317)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4747. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries in the Eastern Pacific Ocean; Pelagic Fisheries; Vessel Identification Requirements" (RIN0648-BA49), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4748. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Amendment 11" (RIN0648-AX05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4749. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Bluefish Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XA825), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4750. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Amendment 10" (RIN0648-AY72), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4751. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Amendment 13 to the Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan; Annual Catch Limits" (RIN0648-BA68), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4752. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Extension of Emergency Fishery Closure Due to the Presence of the Toxin that Causes Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP)" (RIN0648-BB59), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4753. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; Interim 2012 Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Specifications; 2012 Research Set Aside Projects" (RIN0648-XA795), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4754. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 2 for the South Atlantic Region" (RIN0648-BB26), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4755. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Fishing Restrictions for Bigeye Tuna and Yellowfin Tuna in Purse Seine Fisheries for 2012" (RIN0648-BB73), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4756. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Amendment 16 to the Salmon Fishery Management Plan" (RIN0648-BB55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4757. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources in the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region; Amendment 18" (RIN0648-BB33), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4758. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska; Amendment 88" (RIN0648-BA97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4759. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Removal of Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology Regulations" (RIN0648-BB52), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4760. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Recreational Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-BB66), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4761. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Gulf of Alaska; Final 2011 and 2012 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish" (RIN0648-XA855), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4762. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Amendments to the Queen Conch and Reef Fish Fishery Management Plans of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands" (RIN0648-AY55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4763. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Generic Annual Catch Limits/Accountability Measures Amendment for the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN0648-AY22), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4764. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod Allocations in the Gulf of Alaska; Amendment 83" (RIN0648-AY53), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4765. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Vessel Monitoring Systems" (RIN0648-BA64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19,

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

EC-4766. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BB65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4767. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XA842), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4768. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA858), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4769. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sculpins in the Bering Sea Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA857), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4770. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; 'Other Flatfish' in the Bering Sea Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA834), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4771. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyazofamid; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9332-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4772. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Etoxazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9334-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4773. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rimsulfuron; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9332-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4774. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Net Worth and Equity Ratio" (RIN3133-AD87), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4775. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Covered Securities of Bats Exchange, Inc." (RIN3235-AL20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4776. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13348 relative to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4777. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4778. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Mexico Regulatory Program" (Docket No. NM-048-FOR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 25, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4779. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection Against Turbine Missiles" (Regulatory Guide 1.115, Revision 2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4780. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Oklahoma; Infrastructure Requirements for 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5NAAQS" (FRL No. 9622-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4781. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Consumer and Commercial Products" (FRL No. 9620-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4782. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina; Approval of Section 110(a)(1) Maintenance Plan for Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point 1-Hour Ozone Maintenance Area to Maintain the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9621-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4783. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Air Quality Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants, State of West Virginia; Control of Emissions From Existing Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerator Unites, Plan Revisions" (FRL No. 9620-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4784. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant

to law, a report relative to the Gravesite Accountability Study Findings at Arlington National Cemetery; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4785. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the "OMB Final Sequestration Update Report for Fiscal Year 2012", referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1401. A bill to conserve wild Pacific salmon, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-140).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1657. A bill to amend the provisions of law relating to sport fish restoration and recreational boating safety, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-141).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 890, A bill to establish the supplemental fraud fighting account, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-142).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MORAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KYL, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. LEE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HELLER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2041. A bill to approve the Keystone XL pipeline project and provide for environmental protection and government oversight; read the first time.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2042. A bill to reinstate the reporting provision relating to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 2043. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Res. 356. A resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

S. Res. 357. A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs and the significance of the battle to the Civil War; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. PRYOR, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 358. A resolution expressing support for the designation of January 28, 2012, as "National Data Privacy Day"; considered and agreed to

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. KYL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. Con. Res. 34. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress in honor of the life and legacy of Vaclav Havel; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 593

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 593, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations.

S. 598

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 598, a bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage.

S. 704

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 704, a bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

S. 738

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning.

S. 750

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 750, a bill to

reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 816

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 816, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations, and for other purposes.

S. 835

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 835, a bill to reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, modernize firearms laws and regulations, protect the community from criminals, and for other purposes.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1106

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1106, a bill to authorize Department of Defense support for programs on pro bono legal assistance for members of the Armed Forces.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1368

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1368, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin.

S. 1486

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1486, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify and expand on criteria applicable to patient admission to and care furnished in long-term care hospitals participating in the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1600

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1600, a bill to enhance the ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes.

S. 1606

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1606, a bill to reform the process by which Federal agencies analyze and formulate new regulations and guidance documents.

S. 1629

At the request of Mr. TESTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1629, supra.

S. 1755

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1755, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1903

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1903, a bill to prohibit commodities and securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transactions, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1930

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 1930, a bill to prohibit earmarks.

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, supra.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of

Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 3800. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3801. An act to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to clarify the definition of aircraft and the offenses penalized under the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2038

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012, as modified,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, January 26, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, January 26, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2038.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, January 26, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 93, nays... 2

[Rollcall Vote No. 3 Leg.]

YEAS --- 93

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 2

Burr, Coburn.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

BORDER TUNNEL PREVENTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1236) to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF MILL SPRINGS

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 357) commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs and the significance of the battle to the Civil War, submitted today by Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING A "NATIONAL DATA PRIVACY DAY"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 358) expressing support for the designation of January 28, 2012, as "National Data Privacy Day", submitted today by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. PRYOR, and Mrs. BOXER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF VACLAV HAVEL

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 34) expressing the sense of Congress in honor of the life and legacy of Vaclav Havel, submitted today by Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. KYL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. GRAHAM), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2041) to approve the Keystone XL pipeline project and provide for environmental protection and government

oversight, introduced today by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MORAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KYL, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. LEE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HELLER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11:30 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2038.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:38 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 31, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2041) to approve the Keystone XL pipeline project and provide for environmental protection and government oversight, introduced on yesterday by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MORAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KYL, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. LEE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HELLER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4786. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspending Random Row Diversion Regulations Under the Marketing Order for Tart Cherries" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0047; FV11-930-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4787. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 1 (Scotch) and Class 3 (Native) Spearmint Oil for the 2011-2012 Marketing Year" (Docket No. AMS-FV-10-0094; FV11-985-1A IR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4788. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges and Grapefruit Grown in Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0057; FV11-906-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4789. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States Standards for Grades of Frozen Okra" (Docket No. AMS-FV-07-0100; FV11-327), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4790. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pistachios Grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0077; FV11-983-2 IR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4791. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Single Family Housing Loans and Grants" (RIN0575-AC81), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4792. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions (Multiple Chemicals)" (FRL No. 9329-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4793. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4794. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to transnational criminal organizations that was declared in Executive Order 13581 of July 24, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4795. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was originally declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4796. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and Delisting Branch, Fish and Wildlife Services, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revising the Listing of the Gray Wolf (Canis lupus) in the Western Great Lakes" (RIN1018-AX57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4797. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Disapproval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Infrastructure and Interstate Transport Requirements for the 1997 Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS" (FRL No. 9613-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4798. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oklahoma; Interstate Transport of Pollution" (FRL No. 9613-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4799. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule Revisions" (FRL No. 9613-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4800. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Florida; Control of Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerator (HMIWI) Emissions from Existing Facilities" (FRL No. 9611-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4801. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units and Standards of Performance for Fossil-Fuel-Fired Electric Utility, Industrial-Commercial-Institutional, and Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units" (FRL No. 9611-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4802. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Damages on Account of Personal Physical Injuries or Physical Sickness" (TD 9573), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4803. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Restitution Payments under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000" (Notice 2012-12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4804. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Commerce's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4805. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-BA23), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4806. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Cod by Vessels Catching Pacific Cod for Processing by the Inshore Component of the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA886),

received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4807. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2012 Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Atka Mackerel Total Allowable Catch Amount" (RIN0648-XA901), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4808. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XA884), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4809. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2012 Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Pacific Cod Total Allowable Catch Amount" (RIN0648-XA903), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4810. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XA887), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4811. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2012 Bering Sea Pollock Total Allowable Catch Amount" (RIN0648-XA906), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4812. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Adjustments to the Atlantic Bluefin Tuna General and Harpoon Category Regulations" (RIN0648-A85), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4813. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2012 Specifications and Management Measures and Secretarial Amendment 1" (RIN0648-BB27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4814. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to the Reef Fish, Spiny Lobster, Queen Conch and Coral and Reef Associated Plants and Invertebrates Fishery Management Plans of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands" (RIN0648-BA62), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4815. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Closure of the Hawaii Shallow-Set Pelagic Longline Fishery Due to Reaching the Annual Limit on Sea Turtle Interactions" (RIN0648-XA370), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4816. A communication from the Senior Regulations Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments: DOT Amendments on Regulations on Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and Other Non-Profit Organizations" (RIN2105-AD60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4817. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Mercury, NV" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0894)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4818. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Stuart, IA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0831)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4819. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Carroll, IA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0845)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4820. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Sturgis, SD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0430)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4821. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Spearfish, SD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0431)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4822. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Bryan, OH" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0606)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4823. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of

Class E Airspace; Anaktuvuk Pass, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0867)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4824. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Huntington, WV" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1057)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 1789, A bill to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service (Rept. No. 112-143).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COBURN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. KYL):

S. 2044. A bill to require the Under Secretary for Science and Technology in the Department of Homeland Security to contract with an independent laboratory to study the health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints operated by the Transportation Security Administration and provide improved notice to airline passengers; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 2045. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require judges of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to reside within fifty miles of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. KIRK):

S. 2046. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2047. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make demonstration grants to eligible local educational agencies for the purpose of reducing the student-to-school nurse ratio in public elementary schools and secondary schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2048. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2049. A bill to improve the circulation of $1 coins, to remove barrier to the circulation of such coins, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2050. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain provisions of the Creating Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 2051. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 2052. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the legal public holiday for the birthday of George Washington take place on February 22, rather than on the third Monday in February; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 359. A resolution commending Alan S. Frumin on his service to the United States Senate; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. Res. 360. A resolution raising awareness and encouraging prevention of stalking by designating January 2012 as "National Stalking Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Res. 361. A resolution congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team for winning the 2011 Bowl Championship Series National Championship; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 362. A resolution designating the month of February 2012 as "National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 363. A resolution congratulating the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team for winning the 2011 NCAA Division II Football Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. Res. 364. A resolution recognizing the goals of National Catholic Schools Week and honoring the valuable contributions of Catholic schools in the United States; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 165

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 165, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities.

S. 376

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 376, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment.

S. 595

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 595, a bill to amend title VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to complete payments under such title to local educational agencies eligible for such payments within 3 fiscal years.

S. 680

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 680, a bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore

within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1034

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1034, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes.

S. 1051

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1051, a bill to impose sanctions on individuals who are complicit in human rights abuses committed against nationals of Vietnam or their family members, and for other purposes.

S. 1265

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1265, a bill to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the land and water conservation fund to maximize the effectiveness of the fund for future generations, and for other purposes.

S. 1277

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1277, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the incentives for the production of biodiesel.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1622

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1622, a bill to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, to relocate to Jerusalem the United States Embassy in Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1983

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1983, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Holding the CFPB Accountable: Review of First Semi-Annual Report."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to

conduct a hearing entitled "Extenders and Tax Reform: Seeking Long-Term Solutions."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 31, 2012, at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRIVACY, TECHNOLOGY, AND THE LAW

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on January 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-266 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Video Privacy Protection Act: Protecting Viewer Privacy in the 21st Century."

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2038

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, January 26, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to; and

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. HELLER) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1470, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. LIEBERMAN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 7, line 22, after "Reform", by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1482).

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. SHERROD BROWN to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on various pages and lines by striking certain words and figures and inserting other words and figures (being amendment No. 1478).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1481).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. COLLINS,

Ordered, That it be in order for the pending amendments to be considered proposed in alternating, side-by-side fashion between the majority and the minority.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1481 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. BURR) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1472).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. THUNE to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1477).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. COLLINS,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of today, it be in order for Mr. MCCAIN to propose an amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1477 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. COBURN, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. HELLER) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1471).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. CORNYN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1483).

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:28 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2038.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1483 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BURR, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. PAUL) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1473).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1474).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. WEBB) to insert, in lieu of the language proposed to be inserted by the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), other words (being amendment No. 1476, in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

Mr. COBURN modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 1476 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. PAUL, by unanimous consent, to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendments considered en bloc and designated numbers 1484, 1485, and 1487).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1487 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. VITTER) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1488).

Pending debate,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1488 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. PAUL to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1490).

Pending debate,

COMMENDING ALAN S. FRUMIN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES SENATE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 359) commending Alan S. Frumin on his service to the United States Senate, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2038.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1490 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

RECOGNIZING HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA AWARENESS DAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 286) recognizing May 16, 2012, as Hereditary Angioedema Awareness Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that more research and treatments are needed for Hereditary Angioedema.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. MARK UDALL (for Mr. INOUYE) to amend the resolution, on page 3, by striking all beginning on line 8 through line 18 on page 4, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1495).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL STALKING AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 360) raising awareness and encouraging prevention of stalking by designating January 2012 as "National Stalking Awareness Month", submitted today by Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE FOOTBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 361) congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team for winning the 2011 Bowl Championship Series National Championship, submitted today by Mr. SHELBY (for himself and Mr. SESSIONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH"

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 362) designating the month of February 2012 as "National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month", submitted today by Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY GORILLAS FOOTBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 363) congratulating the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team for winning the 2011 NCAA Division II Football Championship, submitted today by Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE GOALS OF NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 364) recognizing the goals of National Catholic Schools Week and honoring the valuable contributions of Catholic schools in the United States, submitted today by Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. JOHANNS, and Ms. LANDRIEU), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 2038.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

At 7 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2012

Mr. RICHARD J. DURBIN, from the State of Illinois, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. DURBIN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 1, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD J. DURBIN, a Senator from the State of Illinois, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. DURBIN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4825. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Real-Time Public Reporting of Swap Transaction Data" (RIN3038-AD08), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4826. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Kiwifruit Grown in California; Change in Reporting Requirements and New Information Collection" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0041; FV11-920-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4827. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Dairy Promotion and Research Program; Amendments to the Order" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0047; FV11-930-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4828. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trichoderma virens strain G-41; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9333-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4829. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John D. Gardner, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4830. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Admiral Robert F. Willard, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4831. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4832. A joint communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) and the Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the activities of the Center of Excellence in the

Mitigation, Treatment, and Rehabilitation of Traumatic Extremity Injuries, and Amputations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4833. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Freedom of Information Act Implementation" (RIN2590-AA44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4834. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act Implementation" (RIN2590-AA46), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4835. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4836. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4837. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4838. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) program for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4839. A communication from the Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Annual Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4840. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedures for Refrigerators, Refrigerator-Freezers, and Freezers" (RIN1904-AB92), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 25, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4841. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for General Service Fluorescent Lamps, General Service Incandescent Lamps, and Incandescent Reflector Lamps" (RIN1904-AC45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4842. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Strategic Infrastructure, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act" (RIN2700-AD71), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4843. A communication from the Chief of the Aquatic Invasive Species Branch, Fish and Wildlife Services, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Injurious Wildlife Species; Listing Three Python Species and One Anaconda Species as Injurious Reptiles" (RIN1018-AV68), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4844. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision 1 to the Final Safety Evaluation of Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Report, Materials Reliability Program (MRP) Report 1016596 (MRP-227), Revision 0, 'Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR) Internals Inspection and Evaluation Guidelines' (TAC No. ME0680)" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4845. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; South Coast; Attainment Plan for 1997 8-hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9624-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4846. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Attainment Plan for the 1997 8-hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9624-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4847. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Maryland; Determination of Nonattainment and Reclassification of the Baltimore 1997 8-hour Ozone Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9625-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4848. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9625-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4849. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Amendments to Virginia's Regulation Regarding the Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9625-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4850. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nonconformance Penalties for On-highway Heavy Heavy-Duty Diesel Engines" (FRL No. 9623-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4851. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Border Security

Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Global Entry Program" (RIN1651-AA73), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4852. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Ruling: 2012 Prevailing State Assumed Interest Rates" (Rev. Rul. 2012-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4853. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0001 - 2012-0011); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4854. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Valuation of Benefits and Assets; Expected Retirement Age" (29 CFR Part 4044), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4855. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4044), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4856. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment of the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Endowment's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4857. A communication from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Agency's fiscal year 2011 Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4858. A communication from the Director, Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Sunshine Act Report for 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4859. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-272 "District Department of Transportation Omnibus Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4860. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-273 "Processing Sales Tax Clarification Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4861. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-274 "Green Building Compliance Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4862. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-275 "Retirement Distribution Withholding Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4863. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-276 "Board of Elections and Ethics Electoral Process Improvement Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4864. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-277 "Public Notice of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Recommendations Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4865. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-278 "Captive Insurance Company Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4866. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-279 "Board of Medicine Membership and Licensing Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4867. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-280 "Southwest Duck Pond Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4868. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-281 "Commission on African-American Affairs Establishment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4869. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-282 "Paul Washington Way Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4870. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-283 "Glover Park Community Center Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4871. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-284 "Rev. Dr. Jerry A. Moore, Jr. Commemorative Plaza Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4872. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-285 "Military Parents' Child Custody and Visitation Rights Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4873. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-286 "Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4874. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-287 "Human Rights Service of Process Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4875. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-288 "Oak Hill Conservation Easement Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4876. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a

report on D.C. Act 19-289 "9/11 Memorial Grove Dedication Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4877. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-290 "District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4878. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-291 "Old Naval Hospital Real Property Tax Exemption Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4879. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-292 "Lillian A. Gordon Water Play Area and Park Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4880. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-293 "Willie Wood Way Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4881. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-297 "William O'Neal Lockridge Memorial Library at Bellevue Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2053. A bill to encourage transit-oriented development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. BURR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. COBURN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2054. A bill to suspend the current compensation packages for the senior executives at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and to establish compensation for all employees of such entities in accordance with rates of pay for other Federal financial regulatory agencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 2055. A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to the protection of certain information; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 2056. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 2057. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KYL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2058. A bill to close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve the effectiveness of sanctions on Iranian trade in petroleum products; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. REED):

S. 2059. A bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 2060. A bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 2061. A bill to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 365. A resolution honoring the life of Kevin Hagan White, the Mayor of Boston, Massachusetts from 1968 to 1984; considered and agreed to

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. CASEY):

S. Res. 366. A resolution honoring the life of dissident and democracy activist Wilman Villar Mendoza and condemning the Castro regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 27

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 27, a bill to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market.

S. 704

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 704, a bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

S. 720

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 720, a bill to repeal the CLASS program.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1610

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1610, a bill to

provide additional time for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to promulgate achievable standards for cement manufacturing facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1838

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1838, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on service dog training therapy, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1895

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 1895, a bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program for the award of grants to States to establish revolving loan funds for small and medium-sized manufacturers to improve energy efficiency and produce clean energy technology, to provide a tax credit for farmers' investments in value-added agriculture, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1895, supra.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1930

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, a bill to prohibit earmarks.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2005

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2005, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to issue up to 10,500 E-3 visas per year to Irish nationals.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 1, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a European Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Ukraine at a Crossroads: What's at Stake for the U.S. and Europe?"

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 432 Russell Senate Office building, to conduct a roundtable entitled "Developing and Strengthening High-Growth Entrepreneurship."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 1, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Federal Retirement Processing: Ensuring Proper and Timely Payments."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:25 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 658) to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriates for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints the following Members as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. MICA, PETRI, DUNCAN of Tennessee, GRAVES of Missouri, SHUSTER, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Messrs. CRAVAACK, RAHALL,

DEFAZIO, COSTELLO, BOSWELL, and CARNAHAN.

From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of sections 102, 105, 201, 202, 204, 208, 209, 212, 220, 321, 324, 326, 812, title X and title XIII of the House bill and sections 102, 103, 106, 216, 301, 302, 309, 320, 327, title VI, and section 732 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. HALL, PALAZZO, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of title XI of the House bill and titles VII and XI of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. CAMP, TIBERI and LEVIN.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. GILLIBRAND in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1490, proposed by Mr. PAUL, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. MANCHIN), to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. KIRK) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1498).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. SHELBY to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 1491).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That amendment No. 1481, proposed by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY), be modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1491 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1500).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. ISAKSON) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1489).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1492).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. TESTER to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1503).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. TESTER,

Ordered, That Mr. COCHRAN be added as cosponsor to the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1503 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

ORDER FOR RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the Senate stand in recess from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2038.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1503 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

At 3:59 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 5 p.m.

AT 5 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) called the Senate to order.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2038.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1503 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

DESIGNATING THE "SAM D. HAMILTON NOXUBEE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

Ordered, That the Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 588) to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO CERTAIN BOUNDARIES IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1296) to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in the State of Rhode Island.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE OF KEVIN HAGAN WHITE

On the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 365) honoring the life of Kevin Hagan White, the Mayor of Boston, Massachusetts from 1968 to 1984, submitted today by Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WILMAN VILLAR MENDOZA

On the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 366) honoring the life of dissident and democracy activist Wilman Villar Mendoza and condemning the Castro regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza, submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BILL NELSON, and Mr. CASEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 2038.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

At 7:56 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend Dr. Joseph M. Vought, Senior Pastor of Community Lutheran Church, Sterling, Virginia, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 2, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4882. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments and Corrections to DEA Regulations" (Docket No. DEA-356), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 31, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4883. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to grants made under the Paul Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4884. A communication from the Chief Human Capital Officer, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Chief Counsel for Advocacy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-4885. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dental Conditions" (RIN2900-AN28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4886. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Veterans Cemetery Grants" (RIN2900-AN90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4887. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irish Potatoes Grown in Colorado; Modification of the Handling Regulation for Area No. 3" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0051; FV11-948-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4888. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Engineering, Architectural Services, Design Policies and Construction Standards" (7 CFR Parts 1724 and 1726), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4889. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Fundamental Properties of Asphalts and Modified Asphalts - III"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4890. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to obligations and unobligated balances of funds provided for Federal-aid highway and safety construction programs during fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4891. A communication from the Chair of the Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Panel's annual report for 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4892. A communication from the Senior Regulations Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Transportation for Individuals With Disabilities at Intercity, Commuter, and High Speed Passenger Railroad Station Platforms; Miscellaneous Amendments" (RIN2105-AD54), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4893. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of VOR Federal Airways V-81, V-89, and V-169 in the Vicinity of Chadron, Nebraska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1016)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4894. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Areas R-210A, B, C, D and E; Huntsville, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0693)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4895. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation and Establishment of Compulsory Reporting Point; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1238)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4896. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of VOR Federal Airways V-320 and V-440; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1014)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4897. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to and Establishment of Restricted Areas; Warren Grove, NJ" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0104)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4898. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Federal Airways; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0010)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4899. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2010-0494)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4900. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (Operations) Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0911)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4901. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines, Fuel Injected Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2007-0218)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4902. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0649)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4903. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; North Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0625)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4904. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada (Bell) Model 407 and 427 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1035)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. LEE, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 2062. A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. WEBB:

S. 2063. A bill to prohibit the transfer of technology developed using funding provided by the United States Government to entities

of certain countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 2064. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate; read the first time.

By Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. THUNE):

S. 2065. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 2066. A bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 2067. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to medical device regulation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 2068. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KERRY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2069. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, to save American families and the Federal and State governments money, and to help family caregivers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 367. A resolution designating January 2012 as "National Mentoring Month"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 33

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 33, a bill to designate a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1982

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1982, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to develop and test an expanded and advanced role for direct care workers who provide long-term services and supports to older individuals in efforts to coordinate care and improve the efficiency of service delivery.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing entitled "Innovations in College Affordability" on February 2, 2012, at 10:20 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:40 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the

following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1173. An act to repeal the CLASS program.

H.R. 3567. An act to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to implement policies to prevent assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program from being used in strip clubs, casinos, and liquor stores.

H.R. 3835. An act to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees.

The message also announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 90. Concurrent resolution authorizing the printing of the 25th edition of the pocket version of the United States Constitution.

The message further announced that pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy: Mr. SHIMKUS of Illinois and Mr. WOMACK of Arkansas.

At 6:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 588. An act to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

HOUSE BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

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

H.R. 3567. An act to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to implement policies to prevent assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program from being used in strip clubs, casinos, and liquor stores; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 3835. An act to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 90. Concurrent resolution authorizing the printing of the 25th edition of the pocket version of the United States Constitution; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2038

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That amendments Numbered 1485 and 1491 be modified; and that the following be the only amendments in order to be proposed to pending bill S. 2038:

Amendment No. 1482;

Amendment No. 1484;

Amendment No. 1487;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LIEBERMAN (in "side-by-side" fashion), to amendment No. 1491;

Amendment No. 1491, as modified;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL (in "side-by-side" fashion), to amendment No. 1485;

Amendment No. 1485, as modified;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Ms. COLLIN (in "side-by-side" fashion), to amendment No. 1489;

Amendment No. 1489;

Amendment No. 1505, intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN;

Amendment No. 1510, intended to be proposed by Mr. ENZI;

Amendment No. 1498;

Amendment No. 1472;

Amendment No. 1500;

Amendment No. 1471;

Amendment No. 1483;

Amendment No. 1473;

Amendment No. 1488;

Amendment No. 1493, intended to be proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY;

Amendment No. 1481, as modified.

Ordered further, That, except for the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), other pending amendments be withdrawn; that the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, at 2 p.m., the Senate vote in relation to the aforementioned amendments in the aforementioned order; that Budget points of order be in order to be raised; and that no amendments or other points of order be in order prior to votes.

Ordered further, That the following amendments receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to: amendment No. 1487, a side-by-side amendment to amendment No. 1489, amendments Numbered 1489, as modified, 1498, 1472, 1500, 1471, 1483, 1488, 1493, 1481, as modified.

Ordered further, That amendment No. 1473 receive the yea votes of a minimum of two-thirds of those Senators present and voting to be agreed to.

Ordered further, That there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the votes; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that, upon disposition of the amendments, the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as may be amended, be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1503, proposed by Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. MANCHIN), to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Pending amendments Numbered 1478, 1477, 1474, 1476, 1490, 1492, and 1503 were withdrawn.

The question therefore being on agreeing to amendment No. 1489, proposed by Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. ISAKSON), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. GRASSLEY to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1493).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND,

Ordered, That amendments Numbered 1489 and 1485 be modified; and that the order of today, providing for the proposal of side-by-side amendments to the aforementioned amendments, be vitiated.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1493 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mrs. GILLIBRAND, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines, on behalf of the Senators indicated: Mr. LIEBERMAN, amendment No. 1511; and Mr. PORTMAN, amendment No. 1505.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1505 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1482, proposed by Mr. LIEBERMAN, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1484, proposed by Mr. PAUL, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 37, nays... 61

[Rollcall Vote No. 4 Leg.]

YEAS --- 37

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Hoeven, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kyl, Leahy, Lee, Lugar, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (NE), Paul, Risch, Roberts, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 61

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1487, proposed by Mr. PAUL, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 48, nays... 51

[Rollcall Vote No. 5 Leg.]

YEAS --- 48

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kyl, Lee, Levin, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Moran, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cardin, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lieberman, Manchin, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1511 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 81, nays... 18

[Rollcall Vote No. 6 Leg.]

YEAS --- 81

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 18

Barrasso, Bingaman, Blunt, Chambliss, Coburn, DeMint, Enzi, Johnson (WI), Lee, Lugar, McConnell, Moran, Portman, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1491, as modified, proposed by Mr. SHELBY, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. SHELBY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 58, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 7 Leg.]

YEAS --- 58

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 41

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Mikulski, Murray, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1485, as modified, proposed by Mr. PAUL, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PAUL,

Ordered, That the pending amendment, as modified, be withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1489, as modified, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the order of today that the pending amendment, as modified, receive 60 yea votes to be agreed to, be vitiated.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1489, as modified, to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1505 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were deemed laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Ms. COLLINS (for Mr. ENZI) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1510).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1498, proposed by Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. KIRK), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCOTT BROWN,

Ordered, That the order of today, that the pending amendment receive 60 yea votes to be agreed to, be vitiated.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1498 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1472, proposed by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. BURR), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 40, nays... 59

[Rollcall Vote No. 8 Leg.]

YEAS --- 40

Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner.

NAYS --- 59

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Tester, Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1500, proposed by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. INHOFE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 26, nays... 73

[Rollcall Vote No. 9 Leg.]

YEAS --- 26

Alexander, Begich, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Graham, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Kohl, Kyl, Murkowski, Nelson (FL), Portman, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Wicker.

NAYS --- 73

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Coats, Coburn, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1471, proposed by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. COBURN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCOTT BROWN,

Ordered, That the order of today that amendments Numbered 1471 and 1483 receive 60 yea votes to be agreed to, be vitiated.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1471 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. SCOTT BROWN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1483, proposed by Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. KIRK), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1473, proposed by Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BURR, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. ENZI), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 60, nays... 39

[Rollcall Vote No. 10 Leg.]

YEAS --- 60

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Wicker.

NAYS --- 39

Akaka, Baucus, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Mikulski, Murray, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (two-thirds of Senators present and voting not having voted in the affirmative, as pursuant to the order of today).

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1488, proposed by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. VITTER), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 24, nays... 75

[Rollcall Vote No. 11 Leg.]

YEAS --- 24

Ayotte, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Manchin, Moran, Paul, Portman, Rubio, Sessions, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 75

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1493 to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. GRASSLEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 60, nays... 39

[Rollcall Vote No. 12 Leg.]

YEAS --- 60

Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reed, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 39

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, McConnell, Mikulski, Nelson (NE), Pryor, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Schumer, Shaheen, Toomey, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1481, as modified, proposed by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY), to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 26, nays... 73

[Rollcall Vote No. 13 Leg.]

YEAS --- 26

Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Carper, Casey, Franken, Heller, Hutchison, Kerry, Klobuchar, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Murkowski, Pryor, Reed, Sanders, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 73

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shelby, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1470 (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. CARDIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 96, nays... 3

[Rollcall Vote No. 14 Leg.]

YEAS --- 96

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran,

Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 3

Bingaman, Burr, Coburn.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO REPORT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding an adjournment of the Senate, the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to report legislation on tomorrow from 12 noon until 2 p.m.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 658

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 3 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2012, the Senate proceed to consider the conference report on the bill (H.R. 658) to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the conference report; and that the conference report receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 367) designating January 2012 as "National Mentoring Month", submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. KERRY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2064) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate, introduced today by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. LEE), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 3 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to consider the conference report on bill H.R. 658, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:46 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2012.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2064) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate, introduced on Thursday, February 2, 2012 by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. LEE), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 2, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 2, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 2, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The PRESIDENT pro tempore announced that on February 3, 2012, he had signed the following enrolled bill, previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House:

H.R. 588. An act to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following messages from the President of the United States were transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO COTE D'IVOIRE -- PM 38

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency, unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13396 of February 7, 2006, with respect to the situation in or in relation to Cote d'Ivoire is to continue in effect beyond February 7, 2012.

The situation in or in relation to Cote d'Ivoire, which has been addressed by the United Nations Security Council in Resolution 1572 of November 15, 2004, and subsequent resolutions, has resulted in the massacre of large numbers of civilians, widespread human rights abuses, significant political violence and unrest, and fatal attacks against international peacekeeping forces. Since the inauguration of President Alassane Ouattara in May 2011, the Government of Cote d'Ivoire and its people have made significant advances in the promotion of democratic, social, and economic development. Although considerable progress has been made, the situation in or in relation to Cote d'Ivoire continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency and related measures under Executive Order 13396 of February 7, 2006, Blocking Property of Certain Persons Contributing to the Conflict in Cote d'Ivoire.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 3, 2012.*

ISSUANCE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER TAKING ADDITIONAL STEPS WITH RESPECT TO THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN -- PM 39

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq*.) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995.

In Executive Order 12957, the President found that the actions and policies of the Government of Iran threaten the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. To deal with that threat, the President in Executive Order 12957 declared a national emergency and imposed prohibitions on certain transactions with respect to the development of Iranian petroleum resources. To further respond to that threat, Executive Order 12959 of May 6, 1995, imposed comprehensive trade and financial sanctions on Iran. Executive Order 13059 of August 19, 1997, consolidated and clarified the previous orders. To take additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 and to implement section 105(a) of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-195) (22 U.S.C. 8501 *et seq*.) (CISADA), I issued Executive Order 13553 on September 28, 2010, to impose sanctions on officials of the Government of Iran and other persons acting on behalf of the Government of Iran determined to be responsible for or complicit in certain serious human rights abuses. To take further additional steps with respect to the threat posed by Iran and to provide implementing authority for a number of the sanctions set forth in the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-172) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note) (ISA), as amended by CISADA, I issued Executive Order 13574 on May 23, 2011, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to implement certain sanctions imposed by the Secretary of State pursuant to ISA, as amended by CISADA. Finally, to take additional steps with respect to the threat posed by Iran, I issued Executive Order 13590 on November 20, 2011, to authorize the Secretary of State to impose sanctions on persons providing certain goods, services, technology, information, or support that contribute either to Iran's development of petroleum resources or to Iran's production of petrochemicals, and to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to implement some of those sanctions.

I have determined that additional sanctions are warranted, particularly in light of the deceptive practices of the Central Bank of Iran and other Iranian banks to conceal transactions of sanctioned parties, the deficiencies in Iran's anti-money laundering regime and the weaknesses in its implementation, and the continuing and unacceptable risk posed to the international financial system by Iran's activities.

The order also implements section 1245(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112-81) (NDAA) by blocking the property and interests in property of Iranian financial institutions pursuant to IEEPA.

The order blocks the property and interests in property of the following:

The Government of Iran, including the Central Bank of Iran;

Any Iranian financial institution, including the Central Bank of Iran; and

Persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order.

The prohibitions of the order do not apply to property and interests in property of the Government of Iran that were blocked pursuant to Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, and thereafter made subject to the transfer directives set forth in Executive Order 12281 of January 19, 1981, and implementing regulations thereunder. In addition, nothing in the order prohibits transactions for the conduct of the official business of the Federal Government by employees, grantees, or contractors thereof.

I have delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury the authority, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA as may be necessary to carry out the blocking-related purposes of the order. All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

I have also delegated certain functions and authorities conferred by section 1245 of the NDAA to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State in consultation with other appropriate agencies as specified in the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 5, 2012*.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4906. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to all repairs and maintenance performed on any covered Navy vessel in any shipyard outside the United States or Guam during the preceding fiscal year; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4907. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a semi-annual report relative to Reserve Component equipment delivery; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4908. A communication from the Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to the Schedule of Operations Regulations" (RIN0583-AD35), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4909. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Single Family Lender Insurance Process: Eligibility, Indemnification, and Termination" (RIN2502-AI58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4910. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13441 with respect to Lebanon; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4911. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to operation of the Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4912. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patent Compensation Board Regulations" (RIN1990-AA33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4913. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "DOE Patent Licensing Regulations" (RIN1990-AA41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4914. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Storage Reporting Requirements of Interstate and Intrastate Natural Gas Companies" (RIN1902-AE25), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4915. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Procedures for Placement and Monitoring of Work with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)" (NRC Management Directive 11.7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4916. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a report entitled "OSRE: Special Accounts and Settlements with PRPs"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4917. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Wildlife Refuge System, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change of Addresses for Regional Offices, Addition of One New Address, and Correction of Names of House and Senate Committees We Must Notify" (RIN1018-AU89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4918. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended for the six months ending June 30, 2011"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4919. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Parents Eligible for Burial" (RIN2900-AO12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4920. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Foster Homes" (RIN2900-AN80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4921. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4922. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revised Jurisdictional Thresholds for Section 7A of the Clayton Act" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4923. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Species: Designation of Critical Habitat for Cook Inlet Beluga Whale" (RIN0648-AX50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4924. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Species: Final Rule to Revise the Critical Habitat Designation for the Endangered Leatherback Sea Turtle"

(RIN0648-AX06), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4925. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closed Captioning of Internet Protocol-Delivered Video Programming: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibity Act of 2010" (MB Docket No. 11-154, FCC-12-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-64. A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Washington requesting the adoption of federal legislation relative to sellers, regardless of nexus, collecting states' sales tax; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBSTITUTE SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8009

To the Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States, and to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled:

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent and petition as follows:

Whereas, The 1967 Bellas Hess and the 1992 Quill United States Supreme Court decisions denied states the authority to require the collection of sales and use taxes by out-of-state sellers that have no physical presence in the taxing state; and

Whereas, This puts local, in-state sellers, whether electronic or brick and mortar, at a competitive disadvantage in making sales, because they must collect the sales tax and most remote sellers do not collect sales tax; and

Whereas, The combined weight of the inability to collect sales and use taxes on remote sales through traditional carriers and the tax erosion due to electronic commerce threatens the future viability of the sales tax as a stable revenue source for state and local governments; and

Whereas, The following federal legislation has been introduced in the United States Congress to grant states the authority to require all sellers, regardless of nexus, to collect those states' sales and use taxes:

(1) The Main Street Fairness Act of 2011 (S. 1452 sponsored by Senators Richard Durbin, Daniel Akaka, Daniel Inouye, Tim Johnson, Jack Reed, and Sheldon Whitehouse; and H.R. 2701 sponsored by Representatives John Conyers, Jr., Michael Capuano, Jesse Jackson, Henry C. "Hank" Johnson, Jr., Heath Shuler, Adam Smith, and Peter Welch);

(2) The Marketplace Fairness Act of 2011 (S. 1832 sponsored by Senators Michael Enzi, Lamar Alexander, Roy Blunt, John Boozman, Bob Corker, Richard Durbin, Tim Johnson, Mark Pryor, Jack Reed, and Sheldon Whitehouse); and

(3) The Marketplace Equity Act of 2011 (H.R. 3179 sponsored by Steve Womack, Michael Capuano, Judy Chu, Eric A. "Rick" Crawford, Theodore E. Deutch, Mario Diaz-Balart, John J. Duncan Jr., Renee L. Ellmers, Gene Green, Carolyn B. Maloney, Betty McCollum, Brad Miller, Kristi L. Noem, Ted Poe, Dennis Ross, Heath Shuler, Jackie Speier, and Peter Welch); and

Whereas, It is estimated that Washington would realize up to $170.3 million in state and local taxes in the 2011-2013 biennium, and $483.0 million in state and local taxes in the 2013-2015 biennium, if it had the ability to require remote sellers to collect our state's sales and use taxes; and

Whereas, Since 1999, state legislators, governors, local elected officials, state tax administrators, and representatives of the private sector have worked to develop a Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Collection System for the 21st century; and

Whereas, On November 12, 2002, state delegates unanimously ratified the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement, which substantially simplifies state and local sales tax systems, removes the burdens to interstate commerce that were of concern to the Supreme Court, protects state sovereignty, and is consistent with the introduced federal legislation; and

Whereas, The Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement provides the states with a blueprint to create a simplified and more uniform sales and use tax collection system that when implemented, allows justification for Congress to overturn the Bellas Hess and Quill decisions; and

Whereas, Washington State enacted legislation in 2007 to bring this state's sales and use tax statutes into compliance with the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; and

Whereas, By November 30, 2011, 24 states: Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, representing over 40 percent of the total population of the United States enacted legislation to bring their state's sales and use tax statutes into compliance with the Agreement; and

Whereas, Over 1,700 businesses have voluntarily registered under the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement to collect and remit sales and use taxes; and

Whereas, The legislature of Washington and our colleagues in the other states have shown the resolve to acknowledge the complexities of the current sales and use tax collection system, have worked with the business community to formulate a truly simplified and streamlined collection system, and have shown the political will to enact the necessary changes to make the streamlined collection system the law; and

Whereas, Until Congress and the President enact federal legislation, participation by remote sellers is only voluntary and thus states are unlikely to close the revenue gap between what is owed on remote transactions and what is collected; and

Whereas, Governors and state legislatures have made the difficult choices to reduce spending and where necessary to raise revenue during the recent "great" recession to close the $417 billion cumulative budget gaps; and

Whereas, After closing $417 billion in budget gaps for fiscal years 2009-2011, the estimated budget shortfall for states in fiscal year 2012 will be $82 billion and for fiscal year 2013 will be $67 billion; and

Whereas, Federal legislation would provide fiscal relief for the states by enabling collections of taxes that are already due;

Now, therefore, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that: The members of our congressional delegation join as cosponsors of the introduced federal legislation and support the Act's swift adoption by the Congress of the United States; and that President Barack Obama sign the legislation, upon its passage by Congress. Be it

Resolved. That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1408. A bill to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing sensitive personally identifiable information, to disclose any breach of such information.

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with amendments:

S. 1813. A bill to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2070. A bill to promote the domestic development and deployment of natural gas and clean energy technologies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 2071. A bill to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 2072. A bill to discourage disincentives to the housing missions of government sponsored enterprises and require consistent putback risks at the enterprises to assist homeowners; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2073. A bill to prohibit the permanent relocation of F-16 aircraft assigned to Eielson Air Force Base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 2074. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CORKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 368. A resolution recognizing the anniversary of the tragic earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, honoring those who lost their lives in that earthquake, and expressing continued solidarity with the people of Haiti; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 165

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 165, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities.

S. 402

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 402, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of a military service medal to members of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Cold War, and for other purposes.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the names of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 807

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 807, a bill to authorize the Department of Labor's voluntary protection program and to expand the program to include more small businesses.

S. 973

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 973, a bill to create the National Endowment for the Oceans to promote the protection and conservation of the United States ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1099

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1099, a bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

S. 1265

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1265, a bill to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the land and water conservation fund to maximize the effectiveness of the fund for future generations, and for other purposes.

S. 1316

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1316, a bill to prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1881

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1881, a bill to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of climate variability and change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1984

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1984, a bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

S. 2059

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2059, a bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 21, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

SENATE RESOLUTION 99

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 99, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the primary safeguard for the well-being and protection of children is the family, and that the primary safeguards for the legal rights of children in the United States are the Constitutions of the United States and the several States, and that, because the use of international treaties to govern policy in the United States on families and children is contrary to principles of self-government and federalism, and that, because the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child undermines traditional principles of law in the United States regarding parents and children, the President should not transmit the Convention to the Senate for its advice and consent.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3578. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to reform the budget baseline.

H.R. 3582. An act to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 658) to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 3578. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to reform the budget baseline; to the Committee on the Budget.

H.R. 3582. An act to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation; to the Committee on the Budget.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 658

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 2, 2012, as modified,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 658) to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the conference report.

The question being on agreeing to the conference report.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROCKEFELLER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the conference report.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 75, nays... 20

[Rollcall Vote No. 15 Leg.]

YEAS --- 75

Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Menendez, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 20

Akaka, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cardin, Casey, Crapo, DeMint, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Klobuchar, Leahy, Lee, McCaskill, Merkley, Mikulski, Paul, Risch, Sanders, Stabenow.

So the conference report was agreed to.

FEDERAL RESTRICTED BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1794) to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendments.

The reported amendments were agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FEDERAL RESTRICTED BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 347) to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC EARTHQUAKE IN HAITI ON JANUARY 12, 2010

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 368) recognizing the anniversary of the tragic earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, honoring those who lost their lives in that earthquake, and expressing continued solidarity with the people of Haiti, submitted today by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. COONS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CORKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 12:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:29 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 7, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 1108. A bill to provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-144).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 1142. A bill to promote the mapping and development of the United States geothermal resources by establishing a direct loan program for high risk geothermal exploration wells, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to improve geothermal energy technology and demonstrate the use of geothermal energy in large scale thermal applications, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-145).

S. 1149. A bill to expand geothermal production, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-146).

By Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1160. A bill to improve the administration of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-147).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with amendments:

S. 432. A bill to provide for environmental restoration activities and forest management activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-148).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1925. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2075. A bill to close unjustified corporate tax loopholes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 2076. A bill to improve security at State and local courthouses; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 2077. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2078. A bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes; to

the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 2079. A bill to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 369. A resolution congratulating the New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 489

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 489, a bill to require certain mortgagees to evaluate loans for modifications, to establish a grant program for State and local government mediation programs, and for other purposes.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 824

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 824, a bill to provide for enhanced mortgage-backed and asset-backed security investor protections, to prevent foreclosure fraud, and for other purposes.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1058

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1058, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure transparency and proper operation of pharmacy benefit managers.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the names of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1802

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1802, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out programs and activities that connect Americans, especially children, youth, and families, with the outdoors.

S. 1834

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1834, a bill to restore and repair the United States mortgage markets by making them transparent, bringing in private capital, winding down the Government-sponsored enterprises, and for other purposes.

S. 1862

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1862, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and reduce the occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death and to enhance public health activities related to stillbirth.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

S. 2054

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2054, a bill to suspend the current compensation packages for the senior executives at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and to establish compensation for all employees of such entities in accordance with rates of pay for other Federal financial regulatory agencies.

S. 2064

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2064, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate.

SENATE RESOLUTION 232

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 232, a resolution recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 12th anniversary of the campaign by the Chinese Communist Party to suppress the Falun Gong movement, recognizing the Tuidang movement whereby Chinese citizens renounce their ties to the Chinese Communist Party and its affiliates, and calling for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute Falun Gong practitioners.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 356

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 7, 2012, at 3 p.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to consider a Chairman's Mark entitled, "The Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act of 2012."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 7, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Promise of Accessible Technology: Challenges and Opportunities" on February 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room G-50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 306. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge.

H.R. 1162. An act to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.

At 5:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 658. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 306. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:34 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1813

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813:

BARBARA BOXER, MAX BAUCUS, MARK PRYOR, JAY ROCKEFELLER, BEN CARDIN, AL FRANKEN, JACK REED, S. WHITEHOUSE, AMY KLOBUCHAR, BERNARD SANDERS, PATRICK J. LEAHY, TOM UDALL, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, J. A. MERKLEY, DICK DURBIN, HARRY REID.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that, at 2 p.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2012, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

CONGRATULATING THE NEW YORK GIANTS FOR WINNING SUPER BOWL XLVI

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 369) congratulating the New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI, submitted today by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MENENDEZ), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2079) to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees, introduced today by Mr. HELLER, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2012; that, on Thursday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:18 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2012.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 9, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2079) to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees, introduced on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 by Mr. HELLER, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4926. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus thuringiensis Cry2Ae Protein in Cotton; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9333-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4927. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of (5) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4928. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the amount of funds the Department of Defense intends to obligate to the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4929. A communication from the Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Crimes Enforcement Network: Anti-Money Laundering Program and Suspicious Activity Report Filing Requirements for Residential Mortgage Lenders and Originators" (RIN1506-AB02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4930. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe declared in Executive Order 13288; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4931. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4932. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Uncosted Balances for Fiscal Year Ended 2011"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4933. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appliance Labeling Rule" (RIN3084-AB03), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4934. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9627-7),

received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4935. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Hampshire: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and Tailoring Rule" (FRL No. 9627-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4936. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9627-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4937. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Tennessee: Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review Rules: Nitrogen Oxides as a Precursor to Ozone" (FRL No. 9627-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4938. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9501-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4939. A communication from the Chief of Recovery and Delisting, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Bald Eagles Nesting in Sonoran Desert Area of Central Arizona Removed from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AX08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4940. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of QJSA and QPSA Rules to Deferred Annuity Contracts" (Rev. Rul. 2012-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4941. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rollover from Qualified Defined Contribution Plan to Qualified Defined Benefit Plan to Obtain Additional Annuity" (Rev. Rul. 2012-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4942. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application for Recognition as a 501(c)(29) Organization" ((RIN1545-BK64)(TD 9574)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4943. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Senior Community Service Employment Program; Final Rule, Additional Indicator on Volunteer Work" (RIN1205-AB60), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4944. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wage Methodology for the Temporary Non-Agricultural Employment H-2B Program; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN1205-AB61), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4945. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Amendments to General Regulations of the Food and Drug Administration to Incorporate Tobacco Products" (RIN0910-AG60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4946. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidelines for Determining Probability of Causation under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000; Revision of Guidelines on Non-Radiogenic Cancers" (RIN0920-AA39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4947. A communication from the Secretary, Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Report for calendar year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4948. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule for Rating Disabilities; AL Amyloidosis (Primary Amyloidosis)" (RIN2900-AN75), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4949. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2012 Gulf of Alaska Pollock and Pacific Cod Total Allowable Catch Amounts" (RIN0648-XA917), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4950. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Amendment 11" (RIN0648-AX05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4951. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Harvest Specifications and Management Measures for

the Remainder of the 2011 Fishery" (RIN0648-BA01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4952. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gag Grouper Closure Measures" (RIN0648-BA94), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4953. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Revisions to Pacific Cod Fishing in the Parallel Fishery in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-AY65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4954. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Emergency Rule Extension, Georges Bank Yellowtail Flounder Catch Limit Revisions" (RIN0648-BA27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4955. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan; Trawl Rationalization Program; Program Improvement and Enhancement; Amendment 21-1" (RIN0648-BB13), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4956. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BA01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4957. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Services Surveys: Amendments to the BE-120, Benchmark Survey of Transactions in Selected Services and Intangible Assets with Foreign Persons" (RIN0691-AA76), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4958. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations: Addition of a Reference to a Provision of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (ISA) and Statement of the Licensing Policy for Transactions Involving Persons Sanctioned under the ISA" (RIN0694-AF30), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4959. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cote d'Ivoire Sanctions Regulations; Darfur Sanctions Regulations; Democratic Republic of the Congo Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Parts 543, 546, and 547), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 2080. A bill to authorize depository institutions, depository institution holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such entities for up to 5 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ENZI, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RISCH, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 2081. A bill to require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended unemployment benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 2082. A bill to establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE Center (Clinical Care, Awareness, Research and Education) of Excellence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 2083. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from requiring that taxpayers reconcile amounts with respect to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 2084. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish accelerated licensing procedures to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2085. A bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL:

S. 2086. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for a legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CASEY, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 2087. A bill to clarify the meaning of "produced" for purposes of limitations on the procurement by the Department of Defense of specialty metals within the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2088. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently double the amount of start-up expenses entrepreneurs can deduct from their taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2089. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand the authority of the Secretary of the Army to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 2090. A bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. ENZI:

S. 2091. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the international tax system of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 2092. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide conscience protections for individuals and organizations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2093. A bill to establish pilot programs to encourage the use of shared appreciation mortgage modifications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2094. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to update a program to provide assistance for the planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, or treat municipal combined sewer overflows and sanitary sewer overflows, and to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to update certain guidance used to develop and determine the financial capability of communities to implement clean water infrastructure programs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. FRANKEN:

S. 2095. A bill to ensure that individuals who are in an authorized job training program or completing work for a degree or certificate remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 2096. A bill to provide for Federal agencies to develop public access policies relating to research conducted by employees of that agency or from funds administered by that agency; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2097. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of comprehensive cancer care planning under the Medicare Program and to improve the care furnished to individuals diagnosed with cancer by establishing grants programs for provider education, and related research; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 2098. A bill to support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 2099. A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. KYL):

S. Res. 370. A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WEBB, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 371. A resolution designating the week of February 6 through 10, 2012, as "National School Counseling Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 316

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 316, a bill to ensure that the victims and victims' families of the November 5, 2009, attack at Fort Hood, Texas, receive the same treatment, benefits, and honors as those Americans who have been killed or wounded in a combat zone overseas and their families.

S. 376

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 376, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment.

S. 402

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 402, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of a military service medal to members of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Cold War, and for other purposes.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 555

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 704

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 704, a bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1164

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1164, a bill to empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway programs and mass transit programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1315

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1315, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend public

safety officers' death benefits to fire police officers.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1369

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1369, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the names of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1575

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1575, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1676

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1676, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for taxpayers making donations with their returns of income tax to the Federal Government to pay down the public debt.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1821

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1821, a bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1945

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1945, a bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

S. 2053

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2053, a bill to encourage transit-oriented development, and for other purposes.

S. 2059

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2059, a bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.

S. 2062

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2062, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a Committee hearing entitled "State of the Housing Market: Removing Barriers to Economic Recovery."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 2:15 p.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 9, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:05 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1734. An act to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2606. An act to reauthorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3521. An act to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for a legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3581. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to increase transparency in Federal budgeting, and for other purposes.

At 12:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 2038. An act to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 99. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to unveil the marker which acknowledges the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1734. An act to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 2606. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3521. An act to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for a legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

H.R. 3581. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to increase transparency in Federal budgeting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1813

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Tuesday, February 7, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 1:30 p.m. on today, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Cathy Ann Bencivengo, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1813 ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, following executive session (as pursuant to the foregoing order), the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813, as pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1813

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, February 7, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1813.

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The hour of 2 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 7, 2012, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 85, nays... 11

[Rollcall Vote No. 17 Leg.]

YEAS --- 85

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn,

Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 11

Begich, Cantwell, DeMint, Hatch, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Murkowski, Paul, Risch, Rubio.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate on the pending motion to proceed be concluded; that the motion be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that the reported amendments be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; and that it be in order for Mrs. BOXER, or her designee, to propose amendment No. 1515, on behalf of Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY).

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The motion to proceed was agreed to.

Whereupon,

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY) to further amend the bill, at end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1515).

Mr. BLUNT asked unanimous consent that it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 1550) to the text of bill S. 1813.

Mr. REID objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1515 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 371) designating the week of February 6 through 10, 2012, as "National School Counseling Week", submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WEBB, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. STABENOW, and Ms. SNOWE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:33 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2012.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, February 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 9, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 9, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 9, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries:

BUDGET OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - - PM 40

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committees on Appropriations; and the Budget:

To the Congress of the United States:

America was built on the idea that anyone who is willing to work hard and play by the rules, can make it if they try—no matter where they started out. By giving every American a fair shot, asking everyone to do their fair share, and ensuring that everyone played by the same rules, we built the great American middle class and made our country a model for the world.

Today, America is still home to the world's best universities, most productive workers, and most innovative companies. But for many Americans, the basic bargain at the heart of the American Dream has eroded.

Long before this recession hit, there was a widespread feeling that hard work had stopped paying off; that fewer and fewer of those who contributed to the success of our economy actually benefited from that success. Those at the very top grew wealthier while everyone else struggled with paychecks that did not keep up with the rising cost of everything from college tuition to groceries. And as a result, too many families found themselves taking on more and more debt just to keep up—often papered over by mounting credit card bills and home equity loans.

Then, in the middle of 2008, the house of cards collapsed. Too many mortgages had been sold to people who could not afford—or even understand—them. Banks had packaged too many risky loans into securities and then sold them to investors who were misled or misinformed about the risks involved. Huge bets had been made and huge bonuses had been paid out with other people's money. And the regulators who were supposed to prevent this crisis either looked the other way or did not have the authority to act.

In the end, this growing debt and irresponsibility helped trigger the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. Combined with new tax cuts and new mandatory programs that had never been paid for, it threw our country into a deep fiscal hole. And millions of hardworking Americans lost their jobs, their homes, and their basic economic security.

Today, we are seeing signs that our economy is on the mend. But we are not out of the woods yet. Instead, we are facing a make-or-break moment for the middle class, and for all those who are fighting to get there. What is at stake is whether or not this will be a country where working people can earn enough to raise a family, build modest savings, own a home, and secure their retirement. This is the defining issue of our time.

This Budget reflects my deep belief that we must rise to meet this moment—both for our economy and for the millions of Americans who have worked so hard to get ahead.

We built this Budget around the idea that our country has always done best when everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same rules. It rejects the "you're on your own" economics that have led to a widening gap between the richest and poorest Americans that undermines both our belief in equal opportunity and the engine of our economic growth. When the middle class is shrinking, and families can no longer afford to buy the goods and services that businesses are selling, it drags down our entire economy. And countries with less inequality tend to have stronger and steadier economic growth over the long run.

The way to rebuild our economy and strengthen the middle class is to make sure that everyone in America gets a fair shot at success. Instead of lowering our standards and our sights, we need to win a race to the top for good jobs that pay well and offer security for the middle class. To succeed and thrive in the global, high-tech economy, we need America to be a place with the highest-skilled, highest-educated workers; the most advanced transportation and communication networks; and the strongest commitment to research and technology in the world. This Budget makes investments that can help America win this race, create good jobs, and lead in the world economy.

And it does so with the understanding that we need an economy that is no longer burdened by years of debt and in which everyone shoulders their fair share to put our fiscal house in order. When I took office 3 years ago, my Administration was left an annual deficit of $1.3 trillion, or 9.2 percent of GDP, and a projected 10-year deficit of more than $8 trillion. These deficits were the result of a previous 8 years of undertaking initiatives, but not paying for them—especially two large tax cuts and a new Medicare prescription drug benefit—as well as the financial crisis and recession that made the fiscal situation worse as revenue decreased and automatic Government outlays increased to counter the downturn.

We have taken many steps to re-establish fiscal responsibility, from instituting a statutory pay-as-you-go rule for spending to going through the budget line by line looking for outdated, ineffective, or duplicative programs to cut or reform. Importantly, we enacted the Affordable Care Act, which will not only provide Americans with more affordable choices and freedom from insurance company abuses, but will also reduce our budget deficits by more than $1 trillion over the next two decades.

As economic growth was beginning to take hold last year, I took further steps to put our Nation on a fiscally sustainable path that would strengthen the foundation of the economy for years to come. In April of 2011, I put forward my Framework for Shared Prosperity and Shared Fiscal Responsibility that built on the 2012 Budget to identify $4 trillion in deficit reduction. During negotiations over extending the debt ceiling in the summer, I presented to congressional Republicans another balanced plan to achieve $4 trillion in deficit reduction. Finally, in September, I sent my Plan for Economic Growth and Deficit Reduction to the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction, which detailed a way to achieve $3 trillion in deficit reduction on top of the $1 trillion already achieved in the Budget Control Act of 2011 that I signed into law the previous month.

I also made sure that this plan covered the cost of the American Jobs Act—a set of bipartisan, commonsense proposals designed to put more people back to work, put more money in the pockets of the middle class, and do so without adding a dime to the deficit at a time when it was clear that global events were slowing the economic recovery and our ability to create more jobs. Unfortunately, Republicans in Congress blocked both our deficit reduction measures and almost every part of the American Jobs Act for the simple reason that they were unwilling to ask the wealthiest Americans to pay their fair share.

In the year ahead, I will continue to pursue policies that will shore up our economy and our fiscal situation. Together with the deficit reduction I signed into law this past year, this Budget will cut the deficit by $4 trillion over the next decade. This will put the country on a course to a level of deficits below 3 percent of GDP by the end of the decade, and will also allow us to stabilize the Federal debt relative to the size of the economy. To get there, this Budget contains a number of steps to put us on a fiscally sustainable path.

First, this Budget implements the tight discretionary spending caps that I signed into law in the Budget Control Act of 2011. These caps will generate approximately $1 trillion in deficit reduction over the next decade. Building on reductions we already have made, this will result in a cut in discretionary spending of $42 billion since 2010 when higher levels of Federal spending were essential to provide a jumpstart to the economy. Meeting the spending targets in this Budget meant some very difficult choices: reforming, consolidating, or freezing programs where we could; cutting programs that were not effective or essential and even some that were, but are now unaffordable; and precisely targeting our investments.

Every department will feel the impact of these reductions as they cut programs or tighten their belts to free up more resources for areas critical to economic growth. And throughout the entire Government, we will continue our efforts to make programs and services work better and cost less: using competition and high standards to get the most from the grants we award; getting rid of excess Federal real estate; and saving billions of dollars by cutting overhead and administrative costs.

Second, this Budget begins the process of implementing my new defense strategy that reconfigures our force to meet the challenges of the coming decade. Over the past 3 years, we have made historic investments in our troops and their capabilities, military families, and veterans. After a decade of war, we are at an inflection point: American troops have left Iraq; we are undergoing a transition in Afghanistan so Afghans can assume more responsibility; and we have debilitated al Qaeda's leadership, putting that terrorist network on the path to defeat. At the same time, we have to renew our economic strength here at home, which is the foundation of our strength in the world, and that includes putting our fiscal house in order. To ensure that our defense budget is driven by a clear strategy that reflects our national interests, I directed the Secretary of Defense and military leadership to undertake a comprehensive strategic review.

I presented the results of the review, reflecting my guidance and the full support of our Nation's military leadership, at the Pentagon on January 5. There are several key elements to this new strategy. To sustain a global reach, we will strengthen our presence in the Asia Pacific region and continue vigilance in the Middle East. We will invest in critical partnerships and alliances, including NATO, which has demonstrated time and again—most recently in Libya—that it is a force multiplier. Looking past Iraq and Afghanistan to future threats, the military no longer will be sized for large-scale, prolonged stability operations. The Department of Defense will focus modernization on emerging threats and sustaining efforts to get rid of outdated Cold War-era systems so that we can invest in the capabilities we need for the future, including intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance capabilities. My Administration will continue to enhance capabilities related to counterterrorism and countering weapons of mass destruction, and we will also maintain the ability to operate in environments where adversaries try to deny us access. And, we will keep faith with those who serve by giving priority to our wounded warriors, servicemembers' mental health, and the well-being of military families.

Adapting our forces to this new strategy will entail investing in high-priority programs, such as unmanned surveillance aircraft and upgraded tactical vehicles. It will mean terminating unnecessary and lower-priority programs such as the C-27 airlift aircraft and a new weather satellite and maintaining programs such as the Joint Strike Fighter at a reduced level. All told, reductions in the growth of defense spending will save $487 billion over the next 10 years. In addition, the end of our military activities in Iraq and the wind-down of operations in Afghanistan will mean that the country will spend 24 percent less on overseas contingency operations (OCO) this year than it did last year, saving $30 billion. I also am proposing a multi-year cap on OCO spending so that we fully realize the dividends of this change in policy.

Third, I believe that in our country, everyone must shoulder their fair share—especially those who have benefited the most from our economy. In the United States of America, a teacher, a nurse, or a construction worker who earns $50,000 a year should not pay taxes at a higher rate than somebody making $50 million. That is wrong. It is wrong for Warren Buffett's secretary to pay a higher tax rate than Warren Buffett. This is not about class warfare; this is about the Nation's welfare. This is about making fair choices that benefit not just the people who have done fantastically well over the last few decades, but that also benefit the middle class, those fighting to get into the middle class, and the economy as a whole.

In the Budget, I reiterate my opposition to permanently extending the Bush tax cuts for families making more than $250,000 a year and my opposition to a more generous estate tax than we had in 2009 benefiting only the very largest estates. These policies were unfair and unaffordable when they were passed, and they remain so today. I will push for their expiration in the coming year. I also propose to eliminate special tax breaks for oil and gas companies; preferred treatment for the purchase of corporate jets; tax rules that give a larger percentage deduction to the wealthiest two percent than to middle-class families for itemized deductions; and a loophole that allows some of the wealthiest money managers in the country to pay only 15 percent tax on the millions of dollars they earn. And I support tax reform that observes the "Buffett Rule" that no household making more than $1 million annually should pay a smaller share of its income taxes than middle-class families pay.

Fourth, to build on the work we have done to reduce health care costs through the Affordable Care Act, I am proposing more than $360 billion in reforms to Medicare, Medicaid, and other health programs over 10 years. The goal of these reforms is to make these critical programs more effective and efficient, and help make sure our health care system rewards high-quality medicine. What it does not do—and what I will not support—are efforts to turn Medicare into a voucher or Medicaid into a block grant. Doing so would weaken both programs and break the promise that we have made to American seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income families—a promise I am committed to keeping.

Finally, to address other looming, long-term challenges to our fiscal health, I have put forward a wide range of mandatory savings. These include reductions in agricultural subsidies, changes in Federal employee retirement and health benefits, reforms to the unemployment insurance system and the Postal Service, and new efforts to provide a better return to taxpayers from mineral development. Drawn from the plan I presented to the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction, these mandatory proposals would save $217 billion over the next decade.

Reining in our deficits is not an end in and of itself. It is a necessary step to rebuilding a strong foundation so our economy can grow and create good jobs. That is our ultimate goal. And as we tighten our belts by cutting, consolidating, and reforming programs, we also must invest in the areas that will be critical to giving every American a fair shot at success and creating an economy that is built to last.

That starts with taking action now to strengthen our economy and boost job creation. We need to finish the work we started last year by extending the payroll tax cut and unemployment benefits for the rest of this year. We also need to take additional measures to put more people back to work. That is why I introduced the American Jobs Act last year and why I will continue to put forward many of the ideas it contained, as well as additional measures, to put people back to work by rebuilding our infrastructure, providing businesses tax incentives to invest and hire, and giving States aid to rehire teachers and first responders.

We also know that education and lifelong learning will be critical for anyone trying to compete for the jobs of the future. That is why I will continue to make education a national mission. What one learns will have a big impact on what he or she earns: the unemployment rate for Americans with a college degree or more is only about half the national average, and the incomes of college graduates are twice as high as those without a high school diploma.

When I took office, I set the goal for America to have the highest proportion of college graduates in the world by 2020. To reach that goal, we increased the maximum annual Pell Grant by more than $900 to help nearly 10 million needy students afford a college education. The 2013 Budget continues that commitment and provides the necessary resources to sustain the maximum

award of $5,635. In this Budget, I also propose a series of new proposals to help families with the costs of college including making permanent the American Opportunity Tax Credit, a partially refundable tax credit worth up to $10,000 per student over 4 years of college, and rewarding colleges and universities that act responsibly in setting tuition, providing the best value, and serving needy students well.

To help our students graduate with the skills they will need for the jobs of the future, we are continuing our effort to prepare 100,000 science and math teachers over the next decade. To improve our elementary and secondary schools, we are continuing our commitment to the Race to the Top initiative that rewards the most innovative and effective ways to raise standards, recruit and retain good teachers, and raise student achievement. My Budget invests $850 million in this effort, which already has been expanded to cover early learning and individual school districts.

And to prepare our workers for the jobs of tomorrow, we need to turn our unemployment system into a re-employment system. That includes giving more community colleges the resources they need to become community career centers—places that teach skills that businesses are looking for right now, from data management to high-tech manufacturing.

Once our students and workers gain the skills they need for the jobs of the future, we also need to make sure those jobs end up in America. In today's high-tech, global economy, that means the United States must be the best place in the world to take an idea from the drawing board to the factory floor to the store shelves. In this Budget, we are sustaining our level of investment in non-defense research and development (R&D) even as overall spending declines, thereby keeping us on track to double R&D funding in the key R&D agencies. We are supporting research at the National Institutes of Health that will accelerate the translation of new discoveries in biomedical science into new therapies and cures, along with initiatives at the Food and Drug Administration that will speed the approval of new medicines. We make important investments in the science and research needed to tackle the most important environmental challenges of our time, and we are investing in fields as varied as cyber-security, nano-technology, and advanced manufacturing. This Budget also puts an emphasis on the basic research that leads to the breakthroughs of tomorrow, which increasingly is no longer being conducted by the private sector, as well as helping inventors bring their innovations from laboratory to market.

This Budget reflects the importance of safeguarding our environment while strengthening our economy. We do not have to choose between having clean air and clean water and growing the economy. By conserving iconic American landscapes, restoring significant ecosystems from the Everglades to the Great Lakes, and achieving measurable improvements in water and air quality, we are working with communities to protect the natural resources that serve as the engines of their local economies.

Moreover, this Budget continues my Administration's commitment to developing America's diverse, clean sources of energy. The Budget eliminates unwarranted tax breaks for oil companies, while extending key tax incentives to spur investment in clean energy manufacturing and renewable energy production. The Budget also invests in R&D to catalyze the next generation of clean energy technologies. These investments will help us achieve our goal of doubling the share of electricity from clean energy sources by 2035. By promoting American leadership in advanced vehicle manufacturing, including funding to encourage greater use of natural gas in the transportation sector, the Budget will help us reach our goal of reducing oil imports by one-third by 2025 and position the United States to become the first country to have one million electric vehicles on the road by 2015. We also are working to decrease the amount of energy used by commercial and industrial buildings by 20 percent to complement our ongoing efforts to improving the efficiency of the residential sector. And we will work with the private sector, utilities, and States to increase the energy productivity of American industries while investing in the innovative processes and materials that can dramatically reduce energy use.

It is also time for government to do its part to help make it easier for entrepreneurs, inventors, and workers to grow their businesses and thrive in the global economy. I am calling on Congress to immediately begin work on corporate tax reform that will close loopholes, lower the overall rate, encourage investment here at home, simplify taxes for America's small businesses, and not add a dime to the deficit. Moreover, to further assist these companies, we need a comprehensive reorganization of the parts of the Federal Government that help businesses grow and sell their products abroad. If given consolidation authority—which Presidents had for most of the 20th century—I will propose to consolidate six agencies into one Department, saving money, and making it easier for all companies—especially small businesses—get the help they need to thrive in the world economy.

Finally, this Budget advances the national security interests of the United States, including the security of the American people, the prosperity and trade that creates American jobs, and support for universal values around the world. It increases funding for the diplomatic efforts that strengthen the alliances and partnerships that improve international cooperation in meeting shared challenges, open new markets to American exports, and promote development. It invests in the intelligence and homeland security capabilities to detect, prevent, and defend against terrorist attacks against our country.

As we implement our new defense strategy, my Administration will invest in the systems and capabilities we need so that our Armed Forces are configured to meet the challenges of the coming decade. We will continue to invest in improving global health and food security so that we address the root causes of conflict and security threats. And we will keep faith with our men and women in uniform, their families, and veterans who have served their Nation.

These proposals will take us a long way towards strengthening the middle class and giving families the sense of security they have been missing for too long. But in the end, building an economy that works for everyone will require all of us to take responsibility. Parents will need to take greater responsibility for their children's education. Homeowners will have to take more responsibility when it comes to buying a house or taking out a loan. Businesses will have to take responsibility for doing right by their workers and our country. And those of us in public service will need to keep finding ways to make government more efficient and more effective.

Understanding and honoring the obligations we have to ourselves and each other is what has made this country great. We look out for each other, pull together, and do our part. But Americans also deserve to know that their hard work will be rewarded.

This Budget is a step in the right direction. And I hope it will help serve as a roadmap for how we can grow the economy, create jobs, and give Americans everywhere the security they deserve.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 13, 2012.*

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1945. A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

By Mr. JOHNSON, of South Dakota, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2101. An original bill to strengthen the multilateral sanctions regime with respect to Iran, to expand sanctions relating to the energy sector of Iran, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction by Iran, and human rights abuses in Iran, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 2100. A bill to suspend sales of petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve until certain conditions are met; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

S. 2101. An original bill to strengthen the multilateral sanctions regime with respect to Iran, to expand sanctions relating to the energy sector of Iran, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction by Iran, and human rights abuses in Iran, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 2102. A bill to provide the authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats, to improve the sharing of cybersecurity information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 2103. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 91

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 91, a bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and unborn human person.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 489

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 489, a bill to require certain mortgagees to evaluate loans for modifications, to establish a grant program for State and local government mediation programs, and for other purposes.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 740

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 740, a bill to revise and extend provisions under the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act.

S. 816

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 816, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations, and for other purposes.

S. 967

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 967, a bill to establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers, and for other purposes.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1701

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1701, a bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

S. 1747

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1747, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to modify provisions relating to the exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2028

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2028, a bill to amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, to ensure that transportation and infrastructure projects carried out using Federal financial assistance are constructed with steel, iron, and manufactured goods that are produced in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land

and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2069

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2069, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, to save American families and the Federal and State governments money, and to help family caregivers.

S. 2077

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2077, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2090

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2090, a bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

SENATE RESOLUTION 370

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 370, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, February 9, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

PROVIDING THE QUILEUTE INDIAN TRIBE WITH TSUNAMI AND FLOOD PROTECTION

On the request of Ms. CANTWELL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1162) to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, February 7, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. CANTWELL,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. CANTWELL,

At 7:15 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 14, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-4960. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management

Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indoxacarb; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4961. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Salaries and Expenses account for fiscal years 2010 and 2011; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4962. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Salaries and Expenses account in fiscal year 2010 and in the over two decades prior; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4963. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-002, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4964. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Cleared Swaps Customer Contracts and Collateral; Conforming Amendments to the Commodity Broker Bankruptcy Provisions" (RIN3038-AC99), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4965. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity" (RIN2501-AD49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4966. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2010 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4967. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundary for the Sturgeon Wild and Scenic River in Michigan to be added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4968. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program" ((SATS Nos. TX-061/062/063-FOR)(Docket No. OSM-2008-0018)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4969. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Preconstruction Permitting Requirements for Electric Generation Stations in Maryland" (FRL No. 9628-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4970. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, California Air Resources Board - Consumer Products" (FRL No. 9609-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4971. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9501-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4972. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Significant New Uses of Tris Carbamoyl Triazine" (FRL No. 9330-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4973. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Montana; Revisions to the Administrative Rules of Montana - Air Quality, Subchapter 7, Exclusion for De Minimis Changes" (FRL No. 9495-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4974. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Florida; Control of Large Municipal Waste Combustor (LMWC) Emissions From Existing Facilities; Correction" (FRL No. 9628-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4975. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Primary Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9624-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4976. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee: Chattanooga; Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9628-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4977. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Engagement in Additional Work Activities and Expenditures for Other Benefits and Services, April-June 2011: A Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4978. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exceptions or Alternatives to Labeling Requirements for Products Held by the Strategic National Stockpile" (Docket No. FDA-2006-N-0364), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4979. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of User Fees for Filovirus Testing of Nonhuman Primate Liver Samples" (RIN0920-AA47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4980. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Hooker Electrochemical Corporation in Niagara Falls, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4981. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4982. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Savannah River Site in Aiken, South Carolina, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4983. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Performance Report for fiscal year 2011 for the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) ; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4984. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Reinstatement of Coverage Pertaining to Final Payment Under Construction and Building Service Contracts" (RIN3090-AJ13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4985. A communication from the Comptroller, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees" (25 CFR Part 514), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 10, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4986. A communication from the Chief of Staff, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Review and Approval of Existing Ordinances or Resolutions; Repeal" (RIN3141-AA45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4987. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Tribal-State Road Maintenance Agreements; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4988. A communication from the Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a foreign terrorist organization (OSS Control No. 2012-0192); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4989. A communication from the Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a foreign terrorist organization (OSS Control No. 2012-0141); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4990. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Management and Administration and Designated Reporting Official, Office on National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4991. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Court's annual report for the year ended September 30, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4992. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "International Space Station: Approaches for Ensuring Utilization through 2020 Are Reasonable but Should Be Revisited as NASA Gains More Knowledge of On-Orbit Performance"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4993. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor for the Department of Legislation and Regulations, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Retrospective Review under E.O 13563: Shipping - Deletion of Obsolete Regulations" (RIN2133-AB80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4994. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FAA-Approved Portable Oxygen Concentrators; Technical Amendment" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1343)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4995. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of VOR Federal Airways V-320 and V-440; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1014)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4996. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Time of Designation for Restricted Areas R-5314A, B, C, D, E, F, H, and J; Dare County, NC" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1017)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4997. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals: U.S. Navy Training in 12 Range Complexes and U.S. Air Force Space Vehicle and Test Flight Activities in California" (RIN0648-BB53), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4998. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Federal Airways; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0010)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4999. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D and E Airspace; Frederick, MD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0455)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5000. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D and E Airspace and Amendment of

Class E Airspace; Brooksville, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0578)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5001. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D and E Airspace and Amendment of Class E; Punta Gorda, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0347)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5002. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Baltimore, MD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1328)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5003. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0014)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5004. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Aircraft Equipped with Rotax Aircraft Engines 912 A Series Engine" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0001)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5005. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5006. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Model 767 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-1221)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5007. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Airplanes Equipped with a Certain Supplemental Type Certificate (STC)" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1420)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5008. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0904)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5009. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Thielert Aircraft Engines GmbH Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2009-0948)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5010. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2010-0494)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5011. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5012. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company (GE) GE90-110B1 and GE90-115B Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0278)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5013. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Martin Corporation/Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0919)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5014. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0996)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5015. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Enstrom Helicopter Corporation Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1382)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5016. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (6); Amdt. No. 3463" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5017. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (35); Amdt. No. 3462" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5018. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class C Airspace; Palm Beach International Airport, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0527)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5019. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Olathe, KS" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0748)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5020. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Show Low, AZ" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1023)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5021. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kwigillingok, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0881)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5022. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kipnuk, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0866)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5023. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Oneonta, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0744)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5024. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Corp. (PW) JT9D-7R4H1 Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0731)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5025. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Apical Industries, Inc., (Apical) Emergency Float Kits" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2010-1190)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5026. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; PIAGGIO AERO INDUSTRIES S.p.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1040)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 342. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Laura Pollan.

S. Res. 372. A resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Egypt relationship, and urging the Government of Egypt to protect civil liberties and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 2104. A bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2105. A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States; read the first time.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. SANDERS, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2106. A bill to establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in elementary schools and secondary schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2107. A bill to amend the extension of the temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 2108. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for the establishment of Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2109. A bill to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Navajo Nation, the Hopi Tribe, and the allottees of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of municipal water projects relating to the water rights claims, to resolve litigation against the United States concerning Colorado River operations affecting the States of California, Arizona, and Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 372. A resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Egypt relationship, and urging the Government of Egypt to protect civil liberties and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

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

S. Res. 373. A resolution recognizing February 14, 2012, as the centennial of the State of Arizona; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. Res. 374. A resolution supporting the mission and goals of 2012 National Crime Victims' Rights Week to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. Res. 375. A resolution celebrating the bicentennial of the City of Columbus, the capital city of the State of Ohio; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 539

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 539, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act and the Social Security Act to extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 648

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 648, a bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to revise the medical and evaluation criteria for determining disability in a person diagnosed with Huntington's Disease and to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare eligibility for individuals disabled by Huntington's Disease.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1249

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1249, a bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1467

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1467, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services.

S. 1674

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1674, a bill to improve teacher quality, and for other purposes.

S. 1680

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1680, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of Medicare beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1773

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1773, a bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1798

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1798, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that members of the Armed Forces who may have been exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits while deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2058

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2058, a bill to close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve the effectiveness of sanctions on Iranian trade in petroleum products.

S. 2065

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2065, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 21, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. TIM JOHNSON,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 14, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2013."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 14, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Pain in America: Exploring Challenges to Relief" on February 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 373) recognizing February 14, 2012, as the centennial of the State of Arizona, submitted today by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. KYL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING "NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 374) supporting the mission and goals of 2012 National Crime Victims' Rights Week to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States, submitted today by Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. GRASSLEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 375) celebrating the bicentennial of the City of Columbus, the capital city of the State of Ohio, submitted today by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2105) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, introduced today by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDER FOR THE READING OF WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of the Senate on January 24, 1901, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place on Monday, February 27, 2012, at a time to be determined by the majority leader after consultation with the minority leader.

APPOINTMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

READING OF WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the VICE PRESIDENT, pursuant to the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, as modified, had appointed Mrs. SHAHEEN to read George Washington's Farewell Address on Monday, February 27, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 12 noon, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Adalberto Jose Jordan; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session to resume consideration of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway

safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:28 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 15, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2105) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, introduced on yesterday by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

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

S. 2110. A bill to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe by authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to convey mineral rights in the State of Montana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 2111. A bill to enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy and security; read the first time.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. CASEY, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2112. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 2113. A bill to empower the Food and Drug Administration to ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 2114. A bill to prohibit the Department of Homeland Security from procuring certain items directly related to the national security unless the items are grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WICKER:

S. Res. 376. A resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. PRYOR, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REID, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 377. A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the historic achievement of John Herschel Glenn, Jr., in becoming the first United States astronaut to orbit the Earth; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 378. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that children should have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family and that it is the policy of the United States that family reunification, kinship care, or domestic and intercountry adoption promotes permanency and stability to a greater degree than long-term institutionalization and long-term, continually disrupted foster care; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 82

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 82, a bill to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs, to repeal the sunset of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with respect to increased

dollar limitations for such credit and programs, and to allow the adoption credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 501

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 501, a bill to establish pilot projects under the Medicare program to provide incentives for home health agencies to utilize home monitoring and communications technologies.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 645

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 645, a bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

S. 1023

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1023, a bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1980

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1980, a bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

S. 2100

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2100, a bill to suspend sales of petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve until certain conditions are met.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2105

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2105, a bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 80

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 80, a resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-G50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-G50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Energy and Economic Growth for Rural America."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2013."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Protecting Those Who Protect Us: The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 15, 2012, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Pay for Performance: Incentive Compensation at Large Financial Institutions."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 12 noon having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize

Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1515, proposed by Mr. REID for Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY), to the bill, as amended.

Mr. REID withdrew the pending amendment.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. REID to further amend the pending bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1633).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1633 to bill S. 1813:

HARRY REID, JAY ROCKEFELLER, KAY R. HAGAN, PATRICK LEAHY, PATTY MURRAY, S. WHITEHOUSE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, HERB KOHL, BEN NELSON, JEFF BINGAMAN, JEANNE SHAHEEN, BARBARA MIKULSKI, JACK REED, MAX BAUCUS, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, ROBERT MENENDEZ, MARIA CANTWELL.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1634).

On motion by Mr. REID to recommit the pending bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 1635).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the pending motion to recommit, at the appropriate place, by striking "3 days" and inserting "2 days" (being amendment No. 1636).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "2 days" and inserting "1 day" (being amendment No. 1637).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1637 to amendment No. 1636 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HISTORICAL ACHIEVEMENT OF JOHN HERSCHEL GLENN, JR.

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 377) recognizing the 50th anniversary of the historic achievement of John Herschel Glenn, Jr., in becoming the first United States astronaut to orbit the Earth, submitted today by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. PRYOR, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REID, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

Pending debate,

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 99) authorizing the use of the Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to unveil the marker which acknowledges the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, February 9, 2012, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE RELATIVE TO FAMILY REUNIFICATION, ADOPTION, AND KINSHIP CARE OF CHILDREN

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 378) expressing the sense of the Senate that children should have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family and that it is the policy of the United States that family reunification, kinship care, or domestic and intercountry adoption promotes permanency and stability to a greater degree than long-term institutionalization and long-term, continually disrupted foster care, submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2111) to enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy and security, introduced today by Mr. LEAHY, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. MERKLEY asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. MERKLEY objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

At 6:11 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Reverend Dr. Costa G. Christo, Senior Pastor of the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, February 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2111) to enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy and security, introduced on yesterday by Mr. LEAHY, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5027. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pasteuria nishizawae - Pn 1; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9337-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5028. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aureobasidium pullulans strains DSM 14940 and DSM 14941; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9337-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5029. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spirotetramat; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9332-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5030. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Business Systems-Definition and Administration" ((RIN0750-AG58)(DFARS Case 2009-D038)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5031. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Award Fee Reduction or Denial for Health or Safety Issues" ((RIN0750-AH37)(DFARS Case 2011-D033)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5032. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral John M. Mateczun, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5033. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of a national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222 with respect to the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5034. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program: Electronics Manufacturing (Subpart I): Revisions to Heat Transfer Fluid Provisions" (FRL No. 9633-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5035. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of

Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL No. 9632-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5036. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources" (FRL No. 9630-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5037. A joint communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control Program for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5038. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2011 Report on the progress to date on implementing Congressionally mandated goals and responsibilities of the Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5039. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Performance Report for fiscal year 2011 and Addendum to the Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2009-2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5040. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of a Taxpayer" ((RIN1545-BF73)(TD 9576)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5041. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Foreign Tax Credit Splitting Events" ((RIN1545-BK50)(TD 9577)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5042. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Physical Inspections Pilot Program" (Notice 2012-18), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5043. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Section 367 to Section 304 Transactions" (Notice 2012-15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5044. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Issuance of Full Validity L Visas to Qualified Applicants" (22 CFR part 41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5045. A communication from the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's fiscal year 2013 Congressional Budget Justification and fiscal year 2011 Annual Performance Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5046. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Labeling Requirements for Blood and Blood Components, Including Source Plasma; Correction" (Docket No. FDA-2003-N-0097), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5047. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2011 Performance Report to Congress for the Medical Device User Fee Amendments of 2007"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5048. A communication from the Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Congressional Justification of Budget Estimates Report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5049. A communication from the Inspector General of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Budget Justification Report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5050. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to time limitations established for deciding habeas corpus death penalty petitions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5051. A communication from the General Counsel and Acting Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2011 Activities"; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-5052. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revised Jurisdictional Thresholds for Section 8 of the Clayton Act" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5053. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands" (RIN0648-XA940), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5054. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Aeronautics and Space Administration: Acquisition Approach for Commercial Crew Transportation Includes Good Practices, but Faces Significant Challenges"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment with a preamble:

S. Res. 379. An original resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against the Syrian people.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 2115. A bill to limit the authority of the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to certain numeric nutrient criteria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. WEBB, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 2116. A bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. REED, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2117. A bill to increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. COATS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2118. A bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board; read the first time.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COONS, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 2119. A bill to establish a pilot program to address overweight/obesity among children from birth to age 5 in child care settings and to encourage parental engagement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2120. A bill to require the lender or servicer of a home mortgage upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2121. A bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date; to the Committee on Armed Services

By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 2122. A bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. KYL, Mr. LEE, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WICKER):

S.J. Res. 36. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S.J. Res. 37. A joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY:

S. Res. 379. An original resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against the Syrian people; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CASEY, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Res. 380. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 102

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 102, a bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 648

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 648, a bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to revise the medical and evaluation criteria for determining disability in a person diagnosed with Huntington's Disease and to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare eligibility for individuals disabled by Huntington's Disease.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 905

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 905, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for the purchase of hearing aids.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide

assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1161

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1161, a bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits.

S. 1494

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1494, a bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act.

S. 1503

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1503, a bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes.

S. 1526

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1526, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for the installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property.

S. 1773

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1773, a bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1787

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1787, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on certain trading transactions.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1906

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1906, a bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program as the program applies to units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1971

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1971, a bill to provide for the establishment of a committee to assess the effects of certain Federal regulatory mandates and to provide for relief from those mandates, and for other purposes.

S. 2017

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2017, a bill to secure the Federal voting rights of persons when released from incarceration.

S. 2043

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2043, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations.

S. 2075

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2075, a bill to close unjustified corporate tax loopholes, and for other purposes.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

S. 2104

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2104, a bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining the European Debt Crisis and Its Implications."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 11:30 a.m., to hold a briefing entitled, "Iran's Influence and Activity in Latin America."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Addressing Workforce Needs at the Regional Level: Innovative Public and Private Partnerships" on February 16, 2012, at 10 a.m. in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 2:30 p.m. in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Securing America's Future: The Cybersecurity Act of 2012."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 2:15 p.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE, PEACE CORPS, AND GLOBAL NARCOTICS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, and Global Narcotics Affairs subcommittee

hearing entitled, "Iran's Influence and Activity in Latin America."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2079. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

H.R. 3247. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service Located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

H.R. 3248. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 1162. An act to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 2:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 2302, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council: Mr. ISRAEL of New York.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2079. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3247. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3248. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1637, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1636, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions.

Mr. PAUL asked unanimous consent that the pending amendments be laid aside; and that it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 1541), relative to Egypt.

Mrs. BOXER objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1637 to amendment No. 1636 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1633; that, if the motion is agreed to, amendment No. 1634 be withdrawn; that amendment No. 1633 be agreed to; that the bill, as thus further amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; and that, if the motion to bring to a close debate is not agreed to, the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works and amendment No. 1633 be withdrawn.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, upon disposition of the motion to bring to a close debate, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Jesse M. Furman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; that the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination be withdrawn; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on the Judiciary; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that if the nomination is confirmed, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without further intervening action or debate; that no further motion to the nomination be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; that the Senate resume its legislative session; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1637 to amendment No. 1636 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2118) to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board, introduced today by Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. COATS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CRAPO), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow,

immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to bill S. 1813 until 10:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:57 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, February 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 3630

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday that the majority leader be recognized when the Senate resumes its legislative session on today, the Senate proceed to consider the conference report on the bill (H.R. 3630) to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes; that there be ten minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the conference report; that no motion or point of order be in order prior to the vote; and that, following the vote, the majority leader be recognized, as pursuant to the order of yesterday.

Ordered further, That the second vote be 10 minutes in duration.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2118) to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board, introduced on yesterday by Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. COATS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CRAPO), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries:

ECONOMIC REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT DATED FEBRUARY 2012 WITH THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS FOR 2012 -- PM 41

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Joint Economic Committee:

To the Congress of the United States:

One of the fundamental tenets of the American economy has been that if you work hard, you can do well enough to raise a family, own a home, send your kids to college, and put a little money away for retirement. That's the promise of America.

The defining issue of our time is how to keep that promise alive. We can either settle for a country where a shrinking number of people do very well while a growing number of Americans barely get by, or we can restore an economy where everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same set of rules.

Long before the recession that began in December 2007, job growth was insufficient for our growing population. Manufacturing jobs were leaving our shores. Technology made businesses more efficient, but also made some jobs obsolete. The few at the top saw their incomes rise like never before, but most hardworking Americans struggled with costs that were growing, paychecks that were not, and personal debt that kept piling up.

In 2008, the house of cards collapsed. We learned that mortgages had been sold to people who could not afford them or did not understand them. Banks had made huge bets and doled out big bonuses with other people's money. Regulators had looked the other way, or did not have the authority to stop the bad behavior. It was wrong. It was irresponsible. And it plunged our economy into a crisis that put millions out of work, saddled us with more debt, and left innocent, hardworking Americans holding the bag.

In the year before I took office, we lost nearly 5 million private sector jobs. And we lost almost another 4 million before our policies were in full effect.

Those are the facts. But so are these: In the last 23 months, businesses have created 3.7 million jobs. Last year, they created the most jobs since 2005. American manufacturers are

hiring again, creating jobs for the first time since the late 1990s. And we have put in place new rules to hold Wall Street accountable, so a crisis like this never happens again.

Some, however, still advocate going back to the same economic policies that stacked the deck against middle-class Americans for way too many years. And their philosophy is simple: We are better off when everybody is left to fend for themselves and play by their own rules.

That philosophy is wrong. The more Americans who succeed, the more America succeeds. These are not Democratic values or Republican values. They are American values. And we have to reclaim them.

This is a make-or-break moment for the middle class, and for all those who are working to get into the middle class. It is a moment when we can go back to the ways of the past—to growing deficits, stagnant incomes and job growth, declining opportunity, and rising inequality—or we can make a break from the past. We can build an economy by restoring our greatest strengths: American manufacturing, American energy, skills for American workers, and a renewal of American values—an economy built to last.

When it comes to the deficit, we have already agreed to more than $2 trillion in cuts and savings. But we need to do more, and that means making choices. Right now, we are poised to spend nearly $1 trillion more on what was supposed to be a temporary tax break for the wealthiest 2 percent of Americans. Right now, because of loopholes and shelters in the tax code, a quarter of all millionaires pay lower tax rates than millions of middle-class households. I believe that tax reform should follow the Buffett Rule. If you make more than $1 million a year, you should not pay less than 30 percent in taxes. In fact, if you are earning a million dollars a year, you should not get special tax subsidies or deductions. On the other hand, if you make under $250,000 a year, like 98 percent of American families do, your taxes should not go up.

Americans know that this generation's success is only possible because past generations felt a responsibility to each other, and to the future of their country. Now it is our turn. Now it falls to us to live up to that same sense of shared responsibility.

This year's *Economic Report of the President,* prepared by the Council of Economic Advisers, describes the emergency rescue measures taken to end the recession and support the ongoing recovery, and lays out a blueprint for an economy built to last. It explains how we are restoring our strengths as a Nation—our innovative economy, our strong manufacturing base, and our workers—by investing in the technologies of the future, in companies that create jobs here in America, and in education and training programs that will prepare our workers for the jobs of tomorrow. We must ensure that these investments benefit everyone and increase opportunity for all Americans or we risk threatening one of the features that defines us as a Nation—that America is a country in which anyone can do well, regardless of how they start out.

No one built this country on their own. This Nation is great because we built it together. If we remember that truth today, join together in common purpose, and maintain our common resolve, then I am as confident as ever that our economic future is hopeful and strong.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 17, 2012.*

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 2123. A bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 2124. A bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources by the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the dissemination of such materials and resources by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2125. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, to apply accreditation and licensure requirements to suppliers of such devices and items for purposes of payment under the Medicare program, and to modify the payment rules for such devices and items under such program to account for practitioner qualifications and complexity of care; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 2126. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to extend and improve the milk income loss contract program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2127. A bill to protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2128. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to clarify that all veterans programs are exempt from sequestration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2129. A bill to provide for reforming and consolidating agencies of the Federal Government to improve efficiency and effectiveness; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 2130. A bill to direct the Secretary of Interior to establish a veterans conservation corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 546

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, and for other purposes.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1763

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1763, a bill to decrease the incidence of violent crimes against Indian women, to strengthen the capacity of Indian tribes to exercise the sovereign authority of Indian tribes to respond to violent crimes committed against Indian women, and to ensure that perpetrators of violent crimes committed against Indian women are held accountable for that criminal behavior, and for other purposes.

S. 1845

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid, and for other purposes.

S. 1853

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY]

and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1853, a bill to recalculate and restore retirement annuity obligations of the United States Postal Service, eliminate the requirement that the United States Postal Service pre-fund the Postal Service Retiree Health Benefits Fund, place restrictions on the closure of postal facilities, create incentives for innovation for the United States Postal Service, to maintain levels of postal service, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3630) to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The hour of 11 a.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1637, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1636, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1635) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, February 15, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1633.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, February 15, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 54, nays... 42

[Rollcall Vote No. 20 Leg.]

YEAS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works with instructions to report back with an amendment (Numbered 1635), and amendments numbered 1636, and 1637 thereto, was withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

Amendment No. 1633 was withdrawn (taking with it amendment No. 1634 thereto).

The question being on passage of the bill.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 3630

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BAUCUS,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the conference report on bill H.R. 3630 not yet having been received from the House of Representatives for concurrence, it be in order for the Senate to proceed to consider the conference report on bill H.R. 3630; and that it be in order for the Senate to vote on the question of agreeing to the conference report, as pursuant to the order of today.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 3630

Pursuant to the order of today,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3630) to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the conference report.

The question being on agreeing to the conference report.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CARDIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the conference report.

The question being taken on agreeing to the conference report on bill H.R. 3630, notwithstanding the absence of the official papers, as pursuant to the order of today.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 60, nays... 36

[Rollcall Vote No. 22 Leg.]

YEAS --- 60

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar,

Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 36

Alexander, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Cardin, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Harkin, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Manchin, McCain, Mikulski, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Sanders, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Warner.

So the conference report was agreed to (the conference report having been received from the House of Representatives during the foregoing rollcall Vote).

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote agreeing to the conference report.

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of its pending business, viz, bill S. 1813.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1730).

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations: Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund; Phyllis Nichamoff Segal, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Lisa M. Quiroz, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Matthew Francis McCabe, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Marguerite W. Kondracke, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Jane D. Hartley, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Richard Christman, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Anthony Frank D'Agostino, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; Anthony Frank D'Agostino, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; Gregory Karawan, of Virginia, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; Martin J. Gruenberg, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Martin J. Gruenberg, of Maryland, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Thomas J. Curry, of Massachusetts, to be Comptroller of the Currency; Kenneth J. Kopocis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency; Michael A. Hammer, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Public Affairs); Laura A. Cordero, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation; Albert DiClemente, of Delaware, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors; Charles DeWitt McConnell, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy); David T. Danielson, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy); LaDoris Guess Harris, of Georgia, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy; Gregory Howard Woods, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy; James R. Hannah, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute; Daniel J. Becker, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute; Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of El Salvador; Adam E. Namm, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Ecuador; Roberta S. Jacobson, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Executive Service, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Western Hemisphere Affairs); Elizabeth M. Cousens, of Washington, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador; Elizabeth M. Cousens, of Washington, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nation; Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Justice; Rebecca M. Blank, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce; Ajit Varadaraj Pai, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission; Jessica Rosenworcel, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission; Jon D. Leibowitz, of Maryland, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner; Maureen K. Ohlhausen, of Virginia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner; Kathryn Keneally, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General; Maurice A. Jones, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Carol J. Galante, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Thomas Hoenig, of Missouri, to be Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Thomas Hoenig, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Deepa Gupta, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts; Christopher Merrill, of Iowa, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities; Stephanie Orlando, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability; Gary Blumenthal, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability, Wendy M. Spencer, of Florida, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Arunava Majumdar, of California, to be Under Secretary of Energy, Mary John Miller, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury, Henry J. Aaron, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board, Kathleen Kerrigan, of Massachusetts, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Alastair M. Fitzpayne, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury, Margaret Ann Sherry, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Eduardo Arriola, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, J. Kelly Ryan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, Michael James Warren, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, David J. McMillan, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Wenona Singel, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Anuj Chang Desai, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Anuj Chang Desai, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Dennis J. Erby, of Mississippi, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Mississippi, Earl W. Gast, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Anne Claire Richard, of New

York, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration), Tara D. Sonenshine, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, Robert E. Whitehead, of Florida, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Togolese Republic, Larry Leon Palmer, of Georgia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Jonathan Don Farrar, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Panama, Phyllis Marie Powers, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Republic of Nicaragua, Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Personal Rank of Career Ambassador, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to India, Bruce J. Sherrick, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Chester John Culver, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Michael T. Scuse, of Delaware, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Michael T. Scuse, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, John J. Tharp, Jr., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and Mark William Lippert, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. REID objected.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, on Monday, February 27, 2012, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Margo Kitsy Brodie, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that, following the vote, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

RECOGNIZING THE 2012 WORLD CHOIR GAMES IN CINCINNATI, OHIO

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 325) recognizing the 2012 World Choir Games in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a global event of cultural significance to the United States and expressing support for designation of July 2012 as World Choir Games Month in the United States.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING VIOLENCE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF SYRIA AGAINST THE SYRIAN PEOPLE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 379) condemning violence by the Government of Syria against the Syrian people.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions until Monday, February 27, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON TUESDAY, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Friday, February 24, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 27, 2012; that on Monday, February 27, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that Mrs. SHAHEEN then be recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell Address.

Ordered further, That, upon conclusion of the reading, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 2:27 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 12 noon on Tuesday, February 21, 2012.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012

Mr. CARL LEVIN, from the State of Michigan, called the Senate to order at 12:00:07 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CARL LEVIN, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEVIN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

At 12:00:31 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Friday, February 17, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Friday, February 24, 2012.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 11:00:27 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

At 11:00:54 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Friday, February 17, 2012, until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 27, 2012.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 27, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

ORDER FOR PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That when the Senate resumes its legislative session, there be a further period for the transaction of morning business for one hour; and that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between Mr. PRYOR and Mr. ALEXANDER, or their designees.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on February 21, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore had signed the following enrolled bill:

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

H.R. 3630. An act to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

READING OF WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, February 14, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore announced that, pursuant to the order of January 24, 1901, as modified by the order of Tuesday, February 14, 2012, Washington's Farewell Address would be read by the Senator heretofore designated for that purpose;

Whereupon

The address was read by Mrs. SHAHEEN, from the State of New Hampshire.

Upon conclusion of the address,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5055. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure to Investor in System-wide and Consolidated Bank Debt Obligations of the Farm Credit System" (RIN3052-AC77), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5056. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nutritional Standards in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs" (RIN0584-AD59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5057. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dairy Product Mandatory Reporting" ((Docket No. AMS-DA-10-0089; DA-11-01)(RIN0581-AD12)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5058. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 1 (Scotch) and Class 3 (Native) Spearmint Oil for the 2011-2012 Marketing Year" (Docket No. AMS-FV-10-0094; FV11-985-1A FIR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5059. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program (NOP); Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (Crops and Processing)" ((Docket No. AMS-NOP-10-0079; NOP-09-02FR)(RIN0581-AD06)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5060. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Cotton Futures Classification Procedures" ((Docket No. AMS-CN-10-0073; CN-10-005)(RIN0581-AD16)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5061. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a request for an extension of the delivery date of an annual report on the current and future military strategy of Iran; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5062. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran as declared in Executive Order 12957; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5063. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of the Indian HOME Investment Partnerships Program Regulation" (RIN2577-AC87), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5064. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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EC-5067. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5068. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5069. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was declared with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5070. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Libya declared in Executive Order 13566; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5071. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Existing Validated End-User Authorizations for Applied Materials (China), Inc., Boeing Tianjin Composites Co. Ltd., CSMC Technologies Corporation, Lam Research Corporation, and Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation in the People's Republic of China, and for GE India Industrial Pvt. Ltd. in India" (RIN0694-AF26), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5072. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updated Statements of Legal Authority To Reflect Continuation of Emergency Declared in Executive Orders 12947 and 13244" (RIN0694-AF30), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5073. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Investment Advisers Performance Compensation" (RIN3235-AK71), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5074. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretation of Protection System Reliability Standard" ((RIN1902-AE21)-(Docket No. RM10-5-000)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5075. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations, Areas of the National Park System, Cape Cod National Seashore" (RIN1024-AD88), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5076. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Nuclear and Radiological Event Scale (INES) Participation" (NRC Management Directive 5.12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5077. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Duty-Free Treatment of Certain Visual and Auditory Materials" (RIN1515-AD75), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5078. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Housing Cost Amounts Eligible for Exclusion or Deduction for 2012" (Notice 2012-19), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5079. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Work Opportunity Tax Credit - Vow to Hire Heroes Act" (Notice 2012-13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5080. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Group Health Plans and Health Insurance Issuers Relating to Coverage of Preventive Services Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (RIN0938-AQ74), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5081. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Summary of Benefits and Coverage and Uniform Glossary - Templates, Instructions, and Related Materials; and Guidance for Compliance" (CMS-9982-FN), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5082. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Summary of Benefits and Coverage and Uniform Glossary" (RIN1545-BJ94, RIN1210-AB52, and RIN0938-AQ73), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 179. A bill to expand the boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-149).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 646. A bill to reauthorize Federal natural hazards reduction programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-150).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 962. A bill to reauthorize the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act to promote the protection of the resources of the Northwest Straits, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-151).

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 2132. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the extension of highway-related taxes and trust fund expenditures, to provide revenues for highway programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-152).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2131. A bill to reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, the Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2132. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the extension of highway-related taxes and trust fund expenditures, to provide revenues for highway programs, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2133. A bill to reauthorize the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership in the State of Iowa; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2134. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 64

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 64, a bill to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941 through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United

States, and to recommend appropriate remedies, and for other purposes.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 807

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 807, a bill to authorize the Department of Labor's voluntary protection program and to expand the program to include more small businesses.

S. 1004

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1004, a bill to support Promise Neighborhoods.

S. 1167

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1425

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1425, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure fairness in election procedures with respect to collective bargaining representatives.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1665

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1665, a bill to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1930

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, a bill to prohibit earmarks.

S. 1967

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1967, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the treatment of certain physician pathology services under the Medicare Program.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2005

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2005, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to issue up to 10,500 E-3 visas per year to Irish nationals.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2084

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2084, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish accelerated licensing procedures to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 2127

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2127, a bill to protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, February 17, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, February 17, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1173) to repeal the CLASS program, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, February 2, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. PRYOR asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. PRYOR objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 12:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

At 7:05 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the American Legion National Chaplain Gerald Theriot, Schriever, Louisiana, offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 28, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1173) to repeal the CLASS program, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, February 2, 2012, and read the first time on yesterday; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

PRESIDENTIAL POLICY DIRECTIVE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT SECTION 1022 OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012 -- PM 42

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

To the Congress of the United States:

Attached is the text of a Presidential Policy Directive establishing procedures to implement section 1022 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112 81) (the "Act"), which I hereby submit to the Congress, as required under section 1022(c)(1) of the Act. The Directive also includes a written certification that it is in the national security interests of the United States to waive the requirements of section 1022(a)(1) of the Act with respect to certain categories of individuals, which I hereby submit to the Congress in accordance with section 1022(a)(4) of the Act.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 28, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5083. A communication from the Manager of the BioPreferred Program, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Redesignation of the BioPreferred Program" (RIN0503-AA41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5084. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Business Conduct Standards for Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants With Counterparties" (RIN3038-AC25), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5085. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyroxasulfone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9334-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5086. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-018, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5087. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Mitigation of Power Outage Risks for Department of Defense Facilities and Activities"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5088. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Army Fisher House Program Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5089. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the modernization priority assessments provided by the Chiefs of the Reserve and National Guard components; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5090. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Richard P. Zahner, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5091. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of two (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5092. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed change to the Fiscal Year 2010 National Guard and Reserve Equipment Appropriation (NGREA) procurement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5093. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Extension of the Department of Defense Mentor-Protege Pilot Program" ((RIN0750-AH59)(DFARS Case 2012-D024)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5094. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Extension of the Test Program for Negotiation of Comprehensive Small Business Subcontracting Plans" ((RIN0750-AH60)-(DFARS Case 2012-D026)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5095. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Holtec International HI-STORM 100 Cask System, Revision 8" (RIN3150-AJ05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5096. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thermal Overload Protection for Electric Motors on Motor Operated Valves" (Regulatory Guide 1.106, Revision 2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5097. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Status and Designations of Critical Habitat for Spikedace and Loach Minnow" (RIN1018-AX17), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5098. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Status for the Rayed Bean and Snuffbox Mussels Throughout Their Ranges" (RIN1018-AV96), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5099. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reissuance of Interim Special Rule for the Polar Bear" (RIN1018-AY34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5100. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marine Mammals; Subsistence Taking of Northern Fur Seals; Harvest Estimates" (RIN0648-BB09), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5101. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the construction of navigation improvements for the Sabine-Neches Waterway (SNWW) channel in Southeast Texas and Southwest Louisiana; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5102. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arkansas; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan; Interstate Transport State Implementation Plan to Address Pollution Affecting Visibility and Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9637-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5103. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Attainment Plan for 1997 8-hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9624-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5104. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; South Coast; Attainment Plan for 1997 8-hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9624-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5105. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Moderate Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9634-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5106. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Conformity Rule: MOVES Regional Grace Period Extension" (FRL No. 9636-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5107. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Idaho: Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program" (FRL No. 9640-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5108. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule Revision" (FRL No. 9635-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5109. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delegation of National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories; State of Nevada, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection" (FRL No. 9635-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5110. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9634-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5111. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gases-Automatic Rescission Provisions" (FRL No. 9636-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5112. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL No. 9634-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5113. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marine Sanitation Devices (MSDs): Regulation to Establish a No Discharge Zone (NDZ) for California State Marine Waters" (FRL No. 9633-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5114. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York; Motor Vehicle Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL No. 9635-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5115. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Hawaii State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9634-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5116. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Hazardous Substances; Designation, Reportable Quantities, and Notification" (FRL No. 9635-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5117. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Federal Implementation Plans To Reduce Interstate Transport of Fine Particulate Matter and Ozone" (FRL No. 9631-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5118. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Federal Implementation Plans to Reduce Interstate Transport of Fine Particulate Matter and Ozone: Part II" (FRL No. 9632-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 2135. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to authorize a national toll-free hotline and website, to develop and disseminate child care consumer education information for parents and to help parents access child care in their community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 2136. A bill to increase the maximum amount of leverage permitted under title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes; to the

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2137. A bill to prohibit the issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment in the Armed Forces for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 381. A resolution authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 20

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 20, a bill to protect American job creation by striking the job-killing Federal employer mandate.

S. 25

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 25, a bill to phase out the Federal sugar program, and for other purposes.

S. 91

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 91, a bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and unborn human person.

S. 277

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 277, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, and for other purposes.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1002

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1002, a bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

S. 1214

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1214, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, regarding restrictions on the use of Department of Defense funds and facilities for abortions.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 1297

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1297, a bill to preserve State and institutional authority relating to State authorization and the definition of credit hour.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1755

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1755, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. COBURN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2065

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2065, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 10 a.m. in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "State of the Housing Market: Removing Barriers to Economic Recovery, Part II."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "National Security and Foreign Policy Priorities in the FY 2013 International Affairs Budget."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on February 28, 2012, to conduct a Joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans. The Committee will meet in room 345 of the Cannon House Office Building beginning at 2:30 p.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND WILDLIFE

The Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 28, 2012, at 10 a.m. in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Local Government Perspectives on Water Infrastructure."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:09 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 347) to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:31 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1730, proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That it be in order for amendment No. 1520 to be proposed; that on Thursday, March 1, 2012, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate vote in relation to the amendment; and that no amendment be in order to the amendment prior to the vote.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1730 to the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HATCH, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KYL, Mr. COATS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. RISCH) to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1520).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That no motion, other than a motion to table, be in order prior to a vote in relation to amendment No. 1520.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1520 to amendment No. 1730 to the bill, as amended.

AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF A PHOTOGRAPH IN THE CHAMBER OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CASEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 381) authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

At 5:37 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 29, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5119. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flazasulfuron; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8883-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5120. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluopyram; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5121. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Metaflumizone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9333-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5122. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mevinphos; Order Revoking Tolerances" (FRL No. 9338-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5123. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Navy Working Capital Fund (NWCF) account 97 X 4930 during fiscal year 2007 at the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Mid-Atlantic and was assigned Navy case number 11-05; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5124. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Military Personnel, Air National Guard (ANG), Air Force, account 57 9 5850 during fiscal year 2009 at the ANG Readiness Center and was assigned Air Force case number 10-06; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5125. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the U.S. Army Audit Agency's review of an audit of the American National Red Cross's Annual Statement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5126. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict), transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2011 annual report on the Regional Defense Combating Terrorism Fellowship Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5127. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Combating Terrorism Activities Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Estimates"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5128. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Army Industrial Facilities Cooperative Activities with Non-Army Entities for fiscal year 2011 ; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5129. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5130. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA): Suspension of Section 238(c) Single-Family Mortgage Insurance in Military Impacted Areas" (RIN2502-AJ01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5131. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Financial Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 561), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5132. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2010 Smart Grid System Report"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5133. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Commercial Refrigeration Equipment" (RIN1904-AC40), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5134. A communication from the Board of Trustees, National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual management report relative to its operations and financial condition; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5135. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 911(d)(4) - 2011 Update" (Rev. Proc. 2012-21), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5136. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rewards and Awards for Information Relating to Violations of Internal Revenue Laws" ((RIN1545-BJ89)(TD 9580)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5137. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Source of Income from Qualified Fails Charges" ((RIN1545-BJ78)(TD 9579)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5138. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States and Area Median Gross Income Figures" (Rev. Proc. 2012-16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5139. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Review and Approval Process for Section 1115 Demonstrations" (RIN0938-AQ46), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5140. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Application, Review, and Reporting Process for Waivers for State Innovation" (RIN0938-AQ75; RIN1505-AC30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5141. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protecting the Public and Our Employees in Our Hearing Process" (RIN0960-AH29), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5142. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "How We Collect and Consider Evidence of Disability" (RIN0960-AG89), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5143. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report certifying for fiscal year 2012 that no United Nations agency or United Nations affiliated agency grants any official status, accreditation, or recognition to any organization which promotes and condones or seeks the legalization of pedophilia, or which includes as a subsidiary or member any such organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5144. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to overseas surplus property; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5145. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 12163, as amended by Executive Order 13346, a report relative to a waiver of the restrictions contained in Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act of 1992; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5146. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the periods October 1, 2011 through November 30, 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5147. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0012 - 2012-0016); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5148. A communication from the Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's Buy American Act Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5149. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Foreign Field Offices; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5150. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a performance report relative to the Animal Generic Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5151. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5152. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5153. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, (3) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 2138. A bill to establish a pilot program to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and project delivery efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for authorized civil works flood control and navigation construction projects of the Corps of Engineers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2139. A bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2140. A bill to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to modify the period used to calculate certain unemployment rates, to encourage the development of business incubators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2141. A bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2142. A bill to permit employees to request, and to ensure employers consider requests for, flexible work terms and conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 2143. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 2144. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 382. A resolution designating March 2, 2012, as "Read Across America Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. Res. 383. A resolution designating February 29, 2012, as "Rare Disease Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. Res. 384. A resolution designating the first Tuesday in March as "National Public Higher Education Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 555

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 605

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 605, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I.

S. 665

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 665, a bill to promote industry growth and competitiveness and to improve worker training, retention, and advancement, and for other purposes.

S. 775

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 775, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to encourage research and carry out an educational campaign with respect to pulmonary hypertension, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] and the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1728

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1728, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1945

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1945, a bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution

designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, supra.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 29, 2012, at 11 a.m., to hold a briefing entitled, "Update on the Crisis in Syria."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Dental Crisis in America: The Need to Expand Access" on February 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Due Process Guarantee Act: Banning Indefinite Detention of Americans."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session on February 29, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on February 29, 2012. The Committee will meet in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building beginning at 10 a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:26 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1433. An act to protect private property rights.

H.R. 2117. An act to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 287a of title 2, United States Code, the SPEAKER appoints Thomas J. Wickham, Jr., as Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives to succeed John V. Sullivan, resigned.

At 12:43 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 347. An act to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mrs. GILLIBRAND).

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1433. An act to protect private property rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2117. An act to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Mr. COBURN, in accordance with rule V of the Standing Rules of the Senate, submitted notice in writing of his intent to amend the Standing Rules of the Senate, by proposing amendment No. 1737 to the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCHUMER in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1520, proposed by Mr. REID for Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HATCH, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KYL, Mr. COATS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. RISCH), to amendment No. 1730, proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the time from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate; that Mr. BLUNT, or his designee, control the first hour therein; and that majority control the second hour therein.

DESIGNATING "READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 382) designating March 2, 2012, as "Read Across America Day", submitted today by Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "RARE DISEASE DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 383) designating February 29, 2012, as "Rare Disease Day", submitted today by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. BARRASSO), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 1813; that the time until 11 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, at 11 a.m., the Senate vote in relation to amendment No. 1520; and that provisions of the order of yesterday remain in effect.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:56 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 1, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 1813

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That when the Senate resumes consideration of bill S. 1813, and amendment No. 1520 thereto, there be 90 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon; and that the provisions of the order of yesterday remain in effect.

Pending debate,

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1520, proposed by Mr. REID for Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. HATCH, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KYL, Mr. COATS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. RISCH), to amendment No. 1730, proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY to lay the pending amendment on the table.

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 51, nays... 48

[Rollcall Vote No. 24 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 48

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY to reconsider the vote agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1730 to the bill, as amended.

Mr. REID withdrew his pending amendment.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. REID to further amend (perfect) the pending bill by striking all after the first word, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1761).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending (perfecting) amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending (perfecting) amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1762).

On motion by Mr. REID to recommit the pending bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 1763).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the pending motion to recommit, at the appropriate place, by striking "6 days" and inserting "5 days" (being amendment No. 1764).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "5 days" and inserting "4 days" (being amendment No. 1765).

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5154. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5155. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5156. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Final Priorities - Safe and Healthy Students Discretionary Grants Programs" (CFDA Nos. 84.184A, 84.215M, 84.184J, 84.184L, 84.215H, and 84.215E), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5157. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment, Maintenance, and Availability of Records: Amendment to Record Availability Requirements" (RIN0910-AG73), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5158. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Summary of Benefits and Coverage and Uniform Glossary" (RIN1210-AB52), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5159. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "YouthBuild Program" (RIN1205-AB49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5160. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Non-Agricultural Employment of H-2B Aliens in the United States" (RIN1205-AB58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5161. A communication from the Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2012-2016 and the Annual Performance Plan for fiscal year 2012 (revised) and fiscal year 2013 (proposed); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5162. A communication from the Secretary of the Board of Governors, U.S. Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5163. A communication from the Counsel for Regulatory and External Affairs, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures of the Panel; Impasses Arising Pursuant to Agency Determinations Not to Establish or to Terminate Flexible or Compressed Work Schedules" (5 CFR Parts 2471 and 2472), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 14, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5164. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change of Address and Electronic Submission of FOIA Requests" (5 CFR Parts 1630, 1631, and 1632), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 23, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5165. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Acquisition-Related Thresholds" (RIN3090-AJ24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 22, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5166. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2011-030, New Designated Country (Armenia) and Other Trade Agreements Updates" ((RIN9000-AM16)-(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5167. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2010-009, Government Property" ((RIN9000-AL95)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5168. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2011-004, Socioeconomic Program Parity" ((RIN9000-AL88)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5169. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2012-002, Trade Agreements Thresholds" ((RIN9000-AM17)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5170. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2007-012, Requirements for Acquisitions Pursuant to Multiple-Award Contracts" ((RIN9000-AL93)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5171. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-56, Technical Amendments" (FAC 2005-56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5172. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-56, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5173. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2010-015, Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Program" ((RIN9000-AL97)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5174. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2008-030, Proper Use and Management of Cost-Reimbursement Contracts" ((RIN9000-AL78)(FAC 2005-56)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5175. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-56, Introduction" (FAC 2005-56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5176. A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Office of the Executive Director, Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's annual report on the category rating system; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5177. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program" (RIN3245-AG34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 24, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5178. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Due Date of Initial Application Requirements for State Home Construction Grants" (RIN2900-AN77), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 2145. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to issue prospective guidance clarifying the employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments with respect to such clarifications; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 2146. A bill to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2147. A bill to provide for research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic Ocean and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2148. A bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2149. A bill to exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 2150. A bill to amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources under the supplemental security income program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COATS, Mr. BURR, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 2151. A bill to improve information security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. KIRK, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. HATCH):

S. Res. 385. A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COONS, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. THUNE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. COATS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BENNET, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KYL, Mr. LEE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BURR, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. KOHL, Mr.

DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. ENZI):

S. Res. 386. A resolution calling for free and fair elections in Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 387. A resolution celebrating Black History Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Res. 388. A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812 and "The Star Spangled Banner", and recognizing the historical significance, heroic human endeavor, and sacrifice of the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Revenue Marine Service, and State militias, during the War of 1812; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Con. Res. 35. A concurrent resolution to establish the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 21, 2013; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Con. Res. 36. A concurrent resolution to authorize the use of the rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 593

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 593, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1167

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1544

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1544, a bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1886

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1886, a bill to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs.

S. 1930

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1930, a bill to prohibit earmarks.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1980

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1980, a bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2032

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2032, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2057

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2057, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs.

S. 2100

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2100, a bill to suspend sales of petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve until certain conditions are met.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2118

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] and the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2118, a bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.

S. 2139

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2139, a bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 1, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "The Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled, "Oversight of the Cruise Ship Industry: Are Current Regulations Sufficient to Protect Passengers and the Environment?"

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Syria: The Crisis and Its Implications."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 1, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:06 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1837. An act to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3902. An act to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1134. An act to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values.

The message further announced that pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a) clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Visitors of the United States Military Academy: Mr. HINCHEY of New York, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 703 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 903) and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, the SPEAKER reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Social Security Advisory Board for a term of 6 years: Ms. Barbara Kennelly of Hartford, Connecticut.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 3902. An act to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ESTABLISHING THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 35) to establish the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 21, 2013, submitted today by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA AND EMANCIPATION HALL

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 36) to authorize the use of the rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States, submitted today by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 387) celebrating Black History Month, submitted today by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MARK UDALL Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR OF 1812 AND THE "STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 388) commemorating the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812 and "The Star Spangled Banner", and recognizing the historical significance, heroic human endeavor, and sacrifice of the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Revenue Marine Service, and State militias, during the War of 1812, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. SESSIONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:40 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012

Mr. DANIEL K. AKAKA, from the State of Hawaii, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. AKAKA led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, March 2, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable DANIEL K. AKAKA, a Senator from the State of Hawaii, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. AKAKA took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1764, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Pending debate,

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on pending amendment No. 1761; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1761 to bill S. 1813, as amended:

HARRY REID, BARBARA BOXER, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT P. CASEY JR.. TOM HARKIN, MARK UDALL, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, DEBBIE STABENOW, PAT LEAHY, HERB KOHL, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, MAX BAUCUS, TOM UDALL, KENT CONRAD, ROBERT MENENDEZ, K. E. GILLIBRAND, JEFF BINGAMAN.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 1813, as amended:

HARRY REID, BARBARA BOXER, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT P. CASEY JR., TOM HARKIN, MARK UDALL, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, DEBBIE STABENOW, PAT LEAHY, HERB KOHL, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, MAX BAUCUS, TOM UDALL, KENT CONRAD, ROBERT MENENDEZ, K. E. GILLIBRAND, JEFF BINGAMAN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorums under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No. 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That it be in order to modify the instruction lines on submitted amendments to match the page and line numbers on amendment No. 1761; that the amendments and instruction line modifications be considered in order, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate; and that, at 12 noon, on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1761.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE ZIMBABWE'S DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES OR INSTITUTIONS -- PM 43

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States,, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions is to continue in effect beyond March 6, 2012.

The crisis constituted by the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions has not been resolved. These actions and policies continue

to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue this national emergency and to maintain in force the sanctions to respond to this threat.

The United States welcomes the opportunity to modify the targeted sanctions regime when blocked persons demonstrate a clear commitment to respect the rule of law, democracy, and human rights. The United States has committed to continue its review of the targeted sanctions list for Zimbabwe to ensure it remains current and addresses the concerns for which it was created. We hope that events on the ground will allow us to take additional action to recognize progress in Zimbabwe in the future. The goal of a peaceful, democratic Zimbabwe remains foremost in our consideration of any action.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 2, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5179. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thiamethoxam; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9331-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5180. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trinexapac-ethyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9337-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5181. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Atlanta; Fine Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9639-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5182. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Lead Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9641-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5183. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste Exclusion" (FRL No. 9640-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5184. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Macon; Fine Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9639-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5185. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and Mojave Desert Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9626-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5186. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Feather River Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9626-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5187. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Inspection of Material Relating to Tax-Exempt Organizations" ((RIN1545-BG60)(TD 9581)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5188. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Summary of Benefits and Coverage and Uniform Glossary" ((RIN1545-BJ94)(TD 9575)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5189. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of Data Mining Activity in the Department of State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5190. A communication from the President, Chief Scout Executive, and the National Commissioner, Boy Scouts of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's 2011 annual report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 2152. A bill to promote United States policy objectives in Syria, including the departure from power of President Bashar Assad and his family, the effective transition to a democratic, free, and secure country, and the promotion of a prosperous future in Syria; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 195

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 195, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1578

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1578, a bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act with respect to consumer confidence reports by community water systems.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to

information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ROCKEFELLER in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1837) to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" first-degree amendments to bill S. 1813 until 4 p.m. on Monday next.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to amendment No. 1761, and to the pending bill, until 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON TUESDAY NEXT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Mary Elizabeth Phillips, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, and Thomas Owen Rice, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, en bloc; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without further intervening action or debate; that no other motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate resume its legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 11:48 a.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 5, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

APPLYING THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROVISIONS OF THE TARIFF ACT OF 1930

On the request of Mr. REID,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2153) to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BURR, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. HELLER), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 4105

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That when the Senate receives the bill (H.R. 4105) to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes, from the House of Representatives for concurrence, and if it is identical to bill S. 2153, as passed, the bill be read twice, considered read the third time, and passed; that no amendment be in order to be proposed; and that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without further intervening action or debate.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1837) to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, March 1, 2012, and read the first time on Friday, March 2, 2012; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CASEY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BURR, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. HELLER):

S. 2153. A bill to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2154. A bill to provide for research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic Ocean and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CASEY, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 2155. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to promote biobased manufacturing; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 344

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1048

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1048, a bill to expand sanctions imposed with respect to the Islamic Republic of Iran, North Korea, and Syria, and for other purposes.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1350

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1350, a bill to expand the research, prevention, and awareness activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health with respect to pulmonary fibrosis, and for other purposes.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1497

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1497, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend for 3 years reasonable cost contracts under Medicare.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1845

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1900

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1900, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to urban Medicare-dependent hospitals.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] were added as cosponsors of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1933

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1933, a bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2041

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2041, a bill to approve the Keystone XL pipeline project and provide for environmental protection and government oversight.

S. 2075

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2075, a bill to close unjustified corporate tax loopholes, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement,

adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

CALLING FOR FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS IN IRAN

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 386) calling for free and fair elections in Iran, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COONS in the chair) announced that the Vice President, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 35 (112th Congress), had appointed the following Senators as members of the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: Mr. REID, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. ALEXANDER.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes.

Ordered further, That the time prior to the vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1761, as pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012, be equally divided and controlled for debate thereon; that the final 10 minutes therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority leader control the final five minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 5:32 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Tuesday, March 6, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1134. A bill to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5191. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Wooden Handicrafts from China" ((RIN0579-AC90)(Docket No. APHIS-2007-0117)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5192. A communication from the Manager of the BioPreferred Program, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Biobased Items for Federal Procurement" (RIN0503-AA39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5193. A communication from the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation's fiscal year 2011 annual report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5194. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of seven (7) officers authorized to

wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5195. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5196. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Kingdom of Morocco; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5197. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Time to File Estate Tax Return to Elect Portability of a Spousal Unused Exclusion Amount" (Notice 2012-21), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5198. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - March 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5199. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an amendment to part 126 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5200. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reasonable Contract or Arrangement Under Section 408(b)(2) - Fee Disclosure" (RIN1210-AB08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5201. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended for the six months ending June 30, 2011"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5202. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Department of Transportation's 2011 Annual Report to Congress and the National Transportation Safety Board Responding to Issues on the National Transportation Safety Board's Most Wanted List"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5203. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the foreign aviation authorities to which the Administration provided services during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5204. A communication from the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National 911 Program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5205. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a biennial report entitled "Deep Sea Coral Research and Technology Program 2012 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5206. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Television Broadcasting Services; Lincoln, Nebraska" (MB Docket No. 11-192; DA 12-91), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5207. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened and Endangered Status for Distinct Population Segments of Atlantic Sturgeon in the Northwest Region" (RIN0648-XJ00), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5208. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Listing Determinations for Two Distinct Population Segments of Atlantic Sturgeon (Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus) in the Southeast" (RIN0648-XN50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5209. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; U.S. Navy's Research, Development, Test and Evaluation Activities Within the Naval Sea Systems Command Naval Undersea Warfare Center Keyport Range Complex" (RIN0648-AX11), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5210. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; 2012 Atlantic Shark Commercial Fishing Season" (RIN0648-BB36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5211. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod Allocations in the Gulf of Alaska; Amendment 83; Correction" (RIN0648-AY53), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5212. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction" (RIN0648-XA952), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5213. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA954), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28,

2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5214. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries; General Category Fishery" (RIN0648-XA948), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5215. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/Processors Using Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA955), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5216. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Increase" (RIN0648-XA974), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5217. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Whiting and Non-Whiting Allocations; Pacific Whiting Seasons" (RIN0648-XA927), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5218. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XA946), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5219. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Greater Than or Equal To 60 Feet (18.3 Meters) Length Overall Using Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA947), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5220. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XA944), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5221. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Spiny Dogfish Fishery; Commercial Period 2 Quota Harvested" (RIN0648-XA926), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5222. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Non-American Fisheries Act Crab Vessels Operating as Catcher/Processors Using Pot Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA956), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITION AND MEMORIAL

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-65. A petition transmitted by a private citizen relative to pro-se prisoner litigants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2156. A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, to set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

S. 2157. A bill to ensure that all of Brevard County, Florida, is treated as a HUBZone, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2158. A bill to establish the Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2159. A bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 2160. A bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 2161. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2162. A bill to provide for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed-upon properties and for the stabilization of affected neighborhoods, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 2163. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve Medicare benefits for individuals with kidney disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 2164. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out activities to manage the threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in the State of Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2165. A bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 389. A resolution designating the first week of April 2012 as "National Asbestos Awareness Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 227

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 227, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 381

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 381, a bill to amend the Arms Export Control Act to provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the United States by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Department of State or the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 394

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 394, a bill to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 1190

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1190, a bill to reduce disparities and improve access to effective and cost efficient diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer through advances in testing, research, and education, including through telehealth, comparative effectiveness research, and identification of best practices in patient education and outreach particularly with respect to underserved racial, ethnic and rural populations and men with a family history of prostate cancer, to establish a directive on what constitutes clinically appropriate prostate cancer imaging, and to create a prostate cancer scientific advisory board for the Office of the Chief Scientist at the Food and Drug Administration to accelerate real-time sharing of the latest research and accelerate movement of new medicines to patients.

S. 1374

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1374, a bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe rules prohibiting deceptive advertising of abortion services.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1942

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1942, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve transportation for seniors, and for other purposes.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 1965

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1965, a bill to jump-start economic recovery through the formation and growth of new businesses, and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2104

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2104, a bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Spurring Job Growth Through Capital Formation While Protecting Investors, Part II."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform Options: Incentives for Capital Investment and Manufacturing."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "International Development Priorities in the FY 2013 Budget."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND SPACE

The Subcommittee on Science and Space of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 6, 2012, at 2:45 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled, "Keeping America Competitive through Investments in R&D."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1134. An act to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 11:07 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3413. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office".

H.R. 3637. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 Old Dixie Highway in Jupiter, Florida, as the "Roy Schallern Rood Post Office Building".

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1710. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, as the James M. Fitzgerald United States Courthouse.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 35. Concurrent resolution to establish the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 21, 2013.

S. Con. Res. 36. Concurrent resolution to authorize the use of the rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States.

At 4:17 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following resolution:

H. Res. 571. Resolution relative to the death of the Honorable DONALD M. PAYNE, a Representative from the State of New Jersey.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1710. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, as the James M. Fitzgerald United States Courthouse.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 3413. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3637. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 Old Dixie Highway in Jupiter, Florida, as the "Roy Schallern Rood Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1764, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that pending amendment No. 1761 be withdrawn; that it be in order for a new perfecting amendment to be proposed to the bill, with the concurrence of the two leaders; that it be in order for the following non-germane amendments to be proposed to the bill: an amendment (Numbered 1660), intended to be proposed by Ms. COLLINS, relative to Boiler MACT; an amendment (Numbered 1535), intended to be proposed by Mr. VITTER, relative to OCS; a side-by-side amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN, to amendment No. 1537; an amendment (Numbered 1537), intended to be proposed by Mr. HOEVEN, relative to Keystone; an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEVIN, relative to offshore tax havens; an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL, or his designee, relevant thereto; an amendment, intended to be proposed by Ms. CANTWELL, relative to energy tax extenders; an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL, or his designee, relevant thereto; an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ, relative to natural gas; an amendment (Numbered 1738), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to duplication; and that the foregoing amendments receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to.

Mr. MCCONNELL further asked unanimous consent that the following germane amendments be in order to be proposed: an amendment (Numbered 1756), intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT; an amendment (Numbered 1517), intended to be proposed by Mr. COATS; an amendment (Numbered 1540), intended to be proposed by Mr. BLUNT; an amendment (Numbered 1556), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL; an amendment (Numbered 1736), intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN; an amendment (Numbered 1742), intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN; an amendment (Numbered 1785), intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER; an amendment (Numbered 1786), intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER, relative to the highway trust fund; an amendment (Numbered 1568), intended to be proposed by Mrs. HUTCHISON; an amendment (Numbered 1669), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN; 10 amendments, intended to be proposed by the majority leader, or his designee, relative to highways; that, following the disposition of the foregoing

amendments, and a managers' amendment, the bill, as amended, be read the third time; that the Senate vote on passage of the bill; and that, following the vote, the bill be held at the desk.

Mr. MCCONNELL further asked unanimous consent that when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives for concurrence the companion bill to bill S. 1813, the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 1813, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that the Senate then insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate in a ratio to be agreed upon by the two leaders.

Mr. REID objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Friday, March 2, 2012, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1761 to the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The hour of 12 noon having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 25 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1761.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No. 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 1813 be withdrawn.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No. 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:54 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, March 2, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No. 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions.

Pending debate,

COUNTERFEIT DRUG PENALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1886) to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs.

The question being on the passage to the bill.

On motion by Mr. DURBIN for Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1808, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was deemed read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL ASBESTOS AWARENESS WEEK"

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 389) designating the first week of April 2012 as "National Asbestos Awareness Week", submitted today by Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REID, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mrs. BOXER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the

transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:58 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 7, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

ORDER FOR RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the order of yesterday be modified such that the Senate recess from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. on today.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Wednesday, March 7, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1710. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, as the James M. Fitzgerald United States Courthouse.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5223. A communication from the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, transmitting pursuant to law, the 2011 Packers and Stockyards Program Annual Report; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5224. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense taking essential steps to award multiyear contracts for nine ARLEIGH BURKE Class Guided Missile Destroyers in fiscal years 2013 through 2017, in the second quarter of fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5225. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on operations of the National Defense Stockpile (NDS) for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5226. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0017 - 2012-0027); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5227. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5228. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made in licensing and constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5229. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons: Maintaining the Privacy of Applicants for and Recipients of Services" (RIN1904-AC16), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5230. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the North Slope Science Initiative; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5231. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Oman from the Restricted Destinations List" ((RIN3150-AJ06)(NRC-2011-0264)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5232. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Identification of Additional Qualifying Renewable Fuel Pathways Under the Renewable Fuel Standard Program" (FRL No. 9642-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5233. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2012 Trade Policy Agenda and 2011 Annual Report of the President of the United States on the Trade Agreements Program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5234. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Price Inflation Adjustments for Passenger Automobiles First Placed in Service or Leased in 2012" (Rev. Proc. 2012-23), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5235. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Performance Report of the Department of Education for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5236. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project - Center on Knowledge Translation for Disability and Rehabilitation Research" (CFDA No. 84.133A-13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5237. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office the President, transmitting, proposed legislation entitled "Reforming and Consolidating Government Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5238. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-57, Introduction" (FAC 2005-57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5239. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2012-004, United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement" (FAC 2005-57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5240. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2005-57, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5241. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-318 "Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5242. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-313 "Streetscape Reconstruction Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5243. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2010 Report to Congress on Funding Needs For Contract Support Cost of Self-Determination Awards"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-5244. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances; Extension of Temporary Placement of Five Synthetic Cannabinoids Into Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act" (Docket No. DEA-345), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5245. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drug and Drug-Related Supply Promotion by Pharmaceutical Company Representatives at VA Facilities" (RIN2900-AN42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5246. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exempting In-home Video Telehealth from Copayments" (RIN2900-AO26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 5, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5247. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5248. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Compulsory Reporting Points; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1398)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5249. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Areas R-3704A and R-3704B; Fort Knox, KY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1274)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5250. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class C Airspace; Springfield, MO; Lincoln, NE; Grand Rapids, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1406)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5251. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Altus AFB, OK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0630)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5252. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Jackson, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1143)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5253. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Saginaw, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1144)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5254. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Iverness, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0540)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5255. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rugby, ND" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0433)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5256. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Portsmouth, OH" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0850)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5257. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Greenfield, IA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0846)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5258. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Galbraith Lake, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0865)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5259. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rockingham, NC" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1146)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5260. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kwigillingok, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0881)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-66. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of North Dakota respectfully applies for an amendments convention to the Constitution of the United States to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment that provides that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4007

A concurrent resolution providing for the application for an amendments convention to the Constitution of the United States to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment that provides that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states.

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states—an amendments convention; and

Whereas, the North Dakota Legislative Assembly favors the proposal and ratification of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that provides that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring Therein: That the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota respectfully applies for an amendments convention to the Constitution of the United States to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment that provides that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states; and be it further

Resolved, that the amendments convention contemplated by this application must be focused entirely upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states; and be it further

Resolved, that this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention; and be it further

Resolved, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation, and to the presiding officers of each house of the several state legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

POM-67. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of Rockland County, New York, requesting that the United States Congress pass bill H.R. 1084 and S. 587—The Fracturing Responsibility and Awareness of Chemicals (FRAC) Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. RISCH, Mr. MORAN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2166. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize technical assistance to small public water systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 2167. A bill to increase the employment of Americans by requiring State workforce agencies to certify that employers are actively recruiting Americans and that Americans are not qualified or available to fill the positions that the employer wants to fill with H-2B nonimmigrants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2168. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition

of supervisor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

S. 2169. A bill to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2170. A bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the "Hatch Act" to eliminate the provision preventing certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 2171. A bill to enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 2172. A bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 2173. A bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 390. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Donald M. Payne; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1002

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1002, a bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1425

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1425, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure fairness in election procedures with respect to collective bargaining representatives.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1440, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 1544

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1544, a bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1598

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1598, a bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to prevent excessive speculation in commodity markets and excessive speculative position limits on energy contracts, and for other purposes.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1970

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1970, a bill to amend the securities laws to provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities, and for other purposes.

S. 2090

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2090, a bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2125

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2125, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, to apply accreditation and licensure requirements to suppliers of such devices and items for purposes of payment under the Medicare program, and to modify the payment rules for such devices and items under such program to account for practitioner qualifications and complexity of care.

S. 2128

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2128, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to clarify that all veterans programs are exempt from sequestration, and for other purposes.

S. 2142

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2142, a bill to permit employees to request, and to ensure employers consider requests for, flexible work terms and conditions, and for other purposes.

S. 2150

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 2150, a bill to amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources under the supplemental security income program.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT], the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 385

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 385, a resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 386

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 386, a resolution calling for free and fair elections in Iran, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 9 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled, "Priorities, Plans, and Progress of the Nation's Space Program."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 10 a.m. in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The President's 2012 Trade Agenda."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 7, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining Lending Discrimination Practices and Foreclosure Abuses."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on March 7, 2012, in room SD-G50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building beginning at 10 a.m.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Opportunities for Savings: Removing Obstacles for Small Business."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION
SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, ATMOSPHERE, FISHERIES, AND THE COAST GUARD

The Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and the Coast Guard of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee hold a hearing entitled, "The President's Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposals for the Coast Guard and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

The Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:49 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4105. An act to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes.

At 6:47 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4105. An act to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

APPLICATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROVISIONS TO NONMARKET ECONOMY COUNTRIES ACT

Pursuant to the order of Monday, March 5, 2012,

The bill (H.R. 4105) to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes, having been received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and being identical to the bill (S. 2153) to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes, as pursuant to said order, was laid before the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed; and a motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1764, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 5:03 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. KLOBUCHAR in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 6:30 p.m.

AT 6:30 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1765 to amendment No. 1764 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1763) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the pending motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works with instructions to report back with an amendment (Numbered 1763), and amendments numbered 1764 and 1765 thereto, be withdrawn; that amendment No. 1762 to amendment No. 1761 be withdrawn; that amendment No. 1761 be agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; and that the following be the only first-degree amendments remaining in order to be proposed:

An amendment (Numbered 1535), intended to be proposed by Mr. VITTER;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. BAUCUS; relative to rural schools;

An amendment (Numbered 1660), intended to be proposed by Ms. COLLINS;

An amendment (Numbered 1738), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

An amendment (Numbered 1822), intended to be proposed by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, and Ms. LANDRIEU);

An amendment (Numbered 1817), intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN;

An amendment (Numbered 1537), intended to be proposed by Mr. HOEVEN;

An amendment (Numbered 1818), intended to be proposed by Mr. LEVIN;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL, or his designee (in "side-by-side" fashion), to amendment No. 1812;

An amendment (Numbered 1812), intended to be proposed by Ms. STABENOW;

An amendment (Numbered 1589), intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT;

An amendment (Numbered 1782), intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. BURR);

An amendment (Numbered 1756), intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT;

An amendment (Numbered 1759), intended to be proposed by Mr. BINGAMAN;

An amendment (Numbered 1517), intended to be proposed by Mr. COATS;

An amendment (Numbered 1819), intended to be proposed by Mr. SHERROD BROWN;

An amendment (Numbered 1540), intended to be proposed by Mr. BLUNT;

An amendment (Numbered 1653), intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY;

An amendment (Numbered 1736), intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN;

An amendment (Numbered 1617), intended to be proposed by Ms. KLOBUCHAR;

An amendment (Numbered 1785), intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER;

An amendment (Numbered 1678), intended to be proposed by Mrs. SHAHEEN;

An amendment (Numbered 1742), intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN;

An amendment (Numbered 1810), intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER;

An amendment (Numbered 1670), intended to be proposed by Mr. CARPER;

An amendment (Numbered 1568), intended to be proposed by Mrs. HUTCHISON;

An amendment (Numbered 1669), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;

An amendment (Numbered 1779), intended to be proposed by Mr. ALEXANDER;

An amendment (Numbered 1816), intended to be proposed by Mrs. BOXER;

An amendment (Numbered 1556), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL.

Ordered further, That it be in order for amendment No. 1822 to be modified if agreed to by Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. BAUCUS; and that it be in order for amendments Nos. 1785 and 1669, to be modified.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; and that the following amendments each receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to: amendments Nos. 1535, the amendment to be proposed by Mr. BAUCUS, amendments Nos. 1660, 1738, 1822, 1817, 1537, the "side-by-side" amendment to amendment No. 1812, amendments Nos. 1812, 1589, and 1782.

Ordered further, That, except for a managers' amendment, no other amendment be in order to the bill or amendments; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; and that no other motion or point of order be in order.

Ordered further, That it be in order for a managers' amendment to be proposed, and, if agreed to by the managers and two leaders, agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended; and that, if the bill is passed, it be held at the desk.

Ordered further, That when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives for concurrence the companion bill to bill S. 1813, and if it is determined to be a companion bill by the two leaders, it be in order for the Senate to proceed to consider said companion bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 1813, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time; that a PAYGO statement from the chairman of the Committee on the Budget be read; that the bill, as amended, be passed; and that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table.

Ordered further, That, following the vote, the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

PANDEMIC AND ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1855) to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize various programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

Mr. REID for Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Ms. COLLINS) to amend the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 1823).

The amendment was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The question being on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was deemed read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE HONORABLE DONALD M. PAYNE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 390) honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Donald M. Payne, submitted today by Mr. LAUTENBERG (for

himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. COONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; BILL REFERRED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 2152) to promote United States policy objectives in Syria, including the departure from power of President Bashar Assad and his family, the effective transition to a democratic, free, and secure country, and the promotion of a prosperous future in Syria; and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2173) to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities, introduced today by Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. RISCH), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader be authorized to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions on today.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 10:28 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 8, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2173) to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities, introduced on yesterday by Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. RISCH), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5261. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, proposed legislation to amend section 4306 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act, concerning the mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility (MOX facility) that is under construction at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site in South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5262. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0014)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5263. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0599)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5264. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cirrus Design Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1212)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5265. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; 328 Support Services GmbH Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0995)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5266. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0219)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5267. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2008-0415)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5268. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; SOCATA Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1139)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5269. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Schempp-Hirth Flugzeugbau GmbH Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1155)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5270. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1298)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5271. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BRP--POWERTRAIN GmbH and Co KG Rotax Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1022)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5272. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0037)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5273. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0005)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5274. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0086)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5275. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Teledyne Continental Motors (TCM) and Rolls-Royce Motors Ltd. (R-RM) Series Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0085)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5276. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc (RR) RB211-524 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2009-0162)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5277. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5278. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seagoing Barges" ((RIN1625-AB71)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0363)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5279. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Anti-fouling System Certificate" ((RIN1625-AB79)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-0745)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5280. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Isle of Wight (Sinepuxent) Bay, Ocean City, MD" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0697)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5281. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Neuse River, New Bern, NC" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0974)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5282. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Calcasieu River, Westlake, LA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1020)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5283. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade, New River and Intracoastal Waterway, Fort Lauderdale, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1011)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5284. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Key West World Championship, Atlantic Ocean; Key West, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0942)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5285. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0994)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5286. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; Captain of the Port Lake Michigan; Technical Amendment" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0489)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5287. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Container Crane Relocation, Cooper and Wando Rivers, Charleston, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1045)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5288. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone and Regulated Navigation Area, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Romeoville, IL " ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1108)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5289. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Art Gallery Party St. Pete 2011 Fireworks Display, Tampa Bay, St. Petersburg, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-0774)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5290. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fourth Annual Chillounge Night St. Petersburg Fireworks Display, Tampa Bay, St. Petersburg, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0615)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5291. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Temporary Change for Recurring Fireworks Display within the Fifth Coast Guard District, Wrightsville Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-0978)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5292. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; 14-Mile Railroad Bridge Replacement, Mobile River, Mobile, AL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0969)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5293. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; M/V DAVY CROCKETT, Columbia River" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2010-0939)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5294. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; New Year's Eve Fireworks Displays within the Captain of the Port St. Petersburg Zone, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0958)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5295. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Truman-Hobbs Alteration of the Elgin Joliet and Eastern Railroad Drawbridge; Illinois River, Morris, Illinois" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1058)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5296. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Potomac River, National Harbor Access Channel, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-0976)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5297. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Department of Defense Exercise, Hood Canal, Washington" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-

1017)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5298. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5299. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Penthiopyrad; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9335-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5300. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5301. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5302. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Nevada; Revised Format for Materials Incorporated By Reference" (FRL No. 9634-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5303. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York State Ozone Implementation Plan Revision" (FRL No. 9645-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5304. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9643-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5305. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings - Addition of Dimethyl Carbonate, Benzotrifluoride, and Hexamethyldisiloxane to Table of Reactivity Factors" (FRL No. 9644-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5306. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources" (FRL No. 9643-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5307. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effective Date for Water Quality Standards for the State of Florida's Lakes and Flowing Waters" (FRL No. 9637-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5308. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Significant New Uses of Tris Carbamoyl Triazine; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9339-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5309. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a report entitled "Transmittal of Best Practices to Enhance Coordination in the RCRA Program"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5310. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Georgia; Atlanta; Determination of Attainment by Applicable Attainment Date for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9643-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5311. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; North Carolina and South Carolina; Charlotte; Determination of Attainment by Applicable Attainment Date for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standards" (FRL No. 9643-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5312. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9626-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5313. A communication from District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Sufficiency Review of the Reasonableness of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority's (DC Water) Fiscal Year 2012 Revenue Estimate Totaling $426,416,477"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5314. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-320 "District of Columbia Public Schools and Public Charter School Student Residency Fraud Prevention Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5315. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-319 "Uniform Collaborative Law Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5316. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on crime victims' rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5317. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's activities during Calendar Year

2011 relative to the Equal Credit Opportunity Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 2174. A bill to exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado:

S. 2175. A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 to provide for the trial of covered persons detained in the United States pursuant to the Authorization for Use of Military Force and to repeal the requirement for military custody; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 2176. A bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 to require the President to certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for the development of a repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 2177. A bill to strengthen the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2178. A bill to require the Federal Government to expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. CARPER, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2179. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2180. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for professional school personnel in early childhood education, to expand the deduction for certain expenses of teachers to teachers in early childhood education, and to modify the credit for dependent care services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2181. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2182. A bill to establish a program to provide child care through public-private partnerships; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 391. A resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against journalists, and expressing the sense of the Senate on freedom of the press in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. KIRK):

S. Res. 392. A resolution urging the Republic of Turkey to safeguard its Christian heritage and to return confiscated church properties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. HATCH):

S. Res. 393. A resolution designating March 11, 2012 as "World Plumbing Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 839

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 839, a bill to ban the sale of certain synthetic drugs.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 922

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 922, a bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to authorize the Secretary of Labor to provide grants for Urban Jobs Programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1002

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1002, a bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1148

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1148, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of assistance to homeless veterans, to improve the regulation of fiduciaries who represent individuals for purposes of receiving benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 1283

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1283, a bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to permit leave to care for a same-sex spouse, domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, grandchild, or grandparent who has a serious health condition.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000,

to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1673

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1673, a bill to establish the Office of Agriculture Inspection within the Department of Homeland Security, which shall be headed by the Assistant Commissioner for Agriculture Inspection, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1915

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1915, a bill to amend the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 to provide clarification regarding the applicability of exemptions relating to the transportation of agricultural commodities and farm supplies, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2027

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2027, a bill to improve microfinance and microenterprise, and for other purposes.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2150

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2150, a bill to amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources under the supplemental security income program.

S. 2156

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2156, a bill to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, to set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 8, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 8, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Addressing the Housing Crisis in Indian Country: Leveraging Resources and Coordinating Efforts."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Key to America's Global Competitiveness: A Quality Education" on March 8, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 8, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 8, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 8, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:01 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2842. An act to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes.

At 3:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3606. An act to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

The message also announced that pursuant to Executive Order No. 12131, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the President's Export Council: Mr. REICHERT of Washington, Mr. GERLACH of Pennsylvania, Mr. TIBERI of Ohio, Ms. SUTTON of Ohio, and Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 2842. An act to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. RON JOHNSON, and Mrs. HUTCHISON) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1535).

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN) to further amend the bill, in title I of division A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1822).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. PRYOR, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. MCCASKILL) to further amend the bill, in title I of division A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1660).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COBURN to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1738).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. MANCHIN, and Ms. LANDRIEU) to further amend the bill, on page 469, after line 22, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1537).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. WYDEN to further amend the bill, in subtitle E of title I of division A, at the end thereof, by adding inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1817).

Pending debate,

Mr. CORKER raised a point of order, viz, that the pending bill, as amended, violates provisions of section 311(a)(2)A of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of those Acts and budget resolutions for consideration of the pending bill.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the following majority-party Senators be recognized for 5 minutes each therein: Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MERKLEY; that the order of yesterday be modified such that amendment No. 1825 be the amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. BAUCUS, relative to rural schools; that, at 2 p.m., the Senate vote in "stacked" sequence in relation to amendments, as pursuant to the order of yesterday, and motion; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the pending motion to waive at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader; and that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments and motion were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS to further amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1826).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1826 to the bill, as amended.

The hour of 2 p.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1535 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 52

[Rollcall Vote No. 28 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Subsequently,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the votes of Ms. COLLINS and Ms. MURKOWSKI, ordered changed from "yea" to "nay" on rollcall Vote No. 29, instead be changed on rollcall Vote No. 28, thus changing its result to yeas 44, nays 54.

Subsequently (on Tuesday, March 13, 2012):

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. AYOTTE,

Ordered, That, on rollcall No. 28, her vote be changed from "yea" to "nay", thus changing the result to yeas 43, nays 55.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified today,

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. RISCH, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) to further amend the bill, in division D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1825).

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1825 to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BAUCUS,

Ordered, That Mr. CRAPO and Mr. RISCH be added as cosponsors of his pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1825 to the bill, as amended.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 82, nays... 16

[Rollcall Vote No. 29 Leg.]

YEAS --- 82

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 16

Akaka, Brown (OH), Cardin, Carper, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Harkin, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lieberman, McCain, Mikulski, Moran, Paul, Toomey.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BAUCUS,

Ordered, That Ms. MURKOWSKI be added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1825.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1660 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Ms. COLLINS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 46

[Rollcall Vote No. 30 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 46

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of yesterday).

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1738 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 46

[Rollcall Vote No. 31 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 46

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of yesterday).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1822 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 76, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 32 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Barrasso, Burr, Coats, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Toomey.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1817 to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. WYDEN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 34, nays... 64

[Rollcall Vote No. 33 Leg.]

YEAS --- 34

Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley,

Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Reid, Rockefeller, Schumer, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Wyden.

NAYS --- 64

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Leahy, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Subsequently,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. KERRY,

Ordered, That, on rollcall Vote No. 33, his vote be changed from "yea" to "nay", thus changing the result to yeas 33, nays 65.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1537 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. BARRASSO,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 56, nays... 42

[Rollcall Vote No. 34 Leg.]

YEAS --- 56

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 42

Akaka, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of yesterday).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion by Mrs. BOXER, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of those Acts and budget resolutions for consideration of the pending bill.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 66, nays... 31

[Rollcall Vote No. 35 Leg.]

YEAS --- 66

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 31

Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Toomey, Warner.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1826 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) to further amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1818).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1826 to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY, as pursuant to the order of yesterday, instead be amendment No. 1814.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1826 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. HELLER, and Mr. KYL) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1669).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

Mr. MCCAIN modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 1669, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, and Ms. AYOTTE) to further amend the bill, in division D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1785).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. CORKER to further amend the bill, in division A, title I, subtitle E, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1810).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COATS, and Mr. KYL) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1736).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN to further amend the bill, on page 469, after line 22, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1742).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COATS for Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) to further amend the bill, at the thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1779).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COATS for Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. LEE, and Mr. RON JOHNSON) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1589).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COATS (for Mr. DEMINT) to further amend the bill, on page 1, by striking all beginning on line 4 through the end of the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1756).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by striking certain words and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1517).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) to further amend the bill, on page 90, by striking all beginning on line 13 through line 14, on page 91, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1540).

DESIGNATING "WORLD PLUMBING DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 393) designating March 11, 2012 as "World Plumbing Day", submitted today by Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. HATCH), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1813

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, the Senate resume voting in "stacked" sequence in relation to amendments to bill S. 1813, as pursuant to the order of yesterday, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader; and that the provisions of the order of yesterday remain in effect.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:52 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2012.

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, March 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 8, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 8, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 8, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 1925, A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (Rept. No. 112-153).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 2183. A bill to provide funding for the Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2184. A bill to provide exclusive funding to support fisheries and the communities that rely upon them, to clear unnecessary regulatory burdens and streamline Federal fisheries management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. THUNE):

S. 2185. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to award grants on a competitive basis to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 2186. A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities; read the first time.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2187. A bill to remove the sunset date for amendments to the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. Res. 394. A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of Italian Unification and the beginning of warm and abiding relations between the people of the United States and Italy; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 214

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 214, a bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, and for other purposes.

S. 215

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 215, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, and for other purposes.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1069

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1069, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1273

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1273, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act with regard to certain exemptions under that Act for direct care workers and to improve the systems for the collection and reporting of data relating to the direct care workforce, and for other purposes.

S. 1409

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1409, a bill to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1773

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1773, a bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2071

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2071, a bill to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2162

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2162, a bill to provide for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed-upon properties and for the stabilization of affected neighborhoods, and for other purposes.

S. 2172

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 310, a resolution designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

SENATE RESOLUTION 376

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 376, a resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 3606

Mr. KYL asked unanimous consent that, notwithstanding any rule of the Senate, immediately following disposition of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, March 8, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; and that the bill remain the pending business, to the exclusion of all other business, until its disposition.

Mr. REID objected.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

ORDER RELATIVE TO FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 1813

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That pending amendment No. 1826 to bill S. 1813 be modified; that it be in order for Ms. STABENOW to modify her amendment No. 1812; that, at 12 noon on tomorrow, the Senate vote in "stacked" sequence first in relation to amendment No. 1756 and then in relation to amendment No. 1759; and that the provisions of the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, remain in effect.

DESIGNATING THE "YEAR OF THE GIRL" AND CONGRATULATING GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 310) designating 2012 as the "Year of the Girl" and congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITALIAN UNIFICATION

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 394) commemorating the 150th anniversary of Italian Unification and the beginning of warm and abiding relations between the people of the United States and Italy, submitted today by Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. SCHUMER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, March 8, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2186) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities, introduced today by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813.

Ordered further, That, following the vote in relation to amendment No. 1759 on tomorrow, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:05 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2186) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities, introduced on yesterday by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL H.R. 3606

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that, notwithstanding any rule of the Senate, immediately following disposition of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes, the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 3606; and that the bill remain the pending business, to the exclusion of all other business, until its disposition.

Mr. REID objected.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5318. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense taking essential steps to award multiyear contracts for nine Virginia Class submarines (VCS) in fiscal years 2014 through 2018, no later than December 31, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5319. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense taking essential steps to award a multiyear contract for 155 CH-47F aircraft, in fiscal years 2013 through 2017, not later than January 31, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5320. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense taking essential steps to award a Joint Service multiyear contract for 98 V-22 aircraft (91 MV-22 aircraft for the United States Marine Corps and 7 CV-22 aircraft for the United States Air Force) in fiscal years 2013 through 2017, no later than December 31, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5321. A joint communication from the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the annual report on the plan for the nuclear weapons stockpile, complex, delivery systems, and command and control systems; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5322. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Commercial Determination Approval" ((RIN0750-AH61)-(DFARS Case 2011-D041)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5323. A communication from the Surgeon General and Commanding General, US Arm Medical Command, Department of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Regional Medical Command Inspectors General report relative to assessing access of recovering service members to adequate outpatient residential facilities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5324. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Residential Clothes Washers" (RIN1904-AC108), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 8, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5325. A communication from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Recovery of Threatened and Endangered Species Fiscal Years 2009-2010"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5326. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5327. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a performance report relative to the Animal Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5328. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a performance report relative to the Animal Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5329. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts and a Member of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5330. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Evaluation of the Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5331. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval Tests and Standards for Closed Circuit Escape Respirators" (RIN0920-AA10), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5332. A communication from the Legal Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disparate Impact and Reasonable Factors Other Than Age Under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act" (RIN3046-AA76),

received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 8, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5333. A communication from the Chairman of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Buy American Act Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5334. A communication from the President of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's annual report for the year ending September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2188. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 2189. A bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2190. A bill to amend the securities laws to provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. Res. 395. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the NATO summit to be held in Chicago, Illinois from May 20 through 21, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 414

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 414, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1855

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1855, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize various programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1973

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1973, a bill to prevent gun trafficking in the United States.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2145

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2145, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to issue prospective guidance clarifying the employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments with respect to such clarifications.

S. 2155

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2155, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to promote biobased manufacturing.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2184

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2184, a bill to provide exclusive funding to support fisheries and the communities that rely upon them, to clear unnecessary regulatory burdens and streamline Federal fisheries management, and for other purposes.

S. 2186

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2186, a bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from

administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 385

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 385, a resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 391

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 391, a resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against journalists, and expressing the sense of the Senate on freedom of the press in Syria.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 13, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Freedom of Information Act: Safeguarding Critical Infrastructure Information and the Public's Right to Know."

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1540, proposed by Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR), to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; and that each vote following the first, to occur at 2:15 p.m., be 10 minutes in duration.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1540 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) to further amend the bill on page 45, after line 3, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1759).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1756, proposed by Mr. DEMINT, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 30, nays... 67

[Rollcall Vote No. 36 Leg.]

YEAS --- 30

Ayotte, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 67

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1759 to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 50, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 37 Leg.]

YEAS --- 50

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Cochran, Conrad, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 47

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1826, as modified, proposed by Mr. ROBERTS, to the bill, as amended.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:51 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1826, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. KYL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 41, nays... 57

[Rollcall Vote No. 38 Leg.]

YEAS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1540 to the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1812).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

Ms. STABENOW modified her pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 1812, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. CONRAD,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 49, nays... 49

[Rollcall Vote No. 39 Leg.]

YEAS --- 49

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 49

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1589, proposed by Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. LEE, and Mr. RON JOHNSON), to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 26, nays... 72

[Rollcall Vote No. 40 Leg.]

YEAS --- 26

Ayotte, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 72

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

On motion by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BURR, and Mr. REID) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1782).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MENENDEZ,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 41 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coburn, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 47

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Coats, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Sessions, Shelby, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012).

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1517, proposed by Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. LUGAR), to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 28, nays... 70

[Rollcall Vote No. 42 Leg.]

YEAS --- 28

Alexander, Brown (OH), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Heller, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Levin, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Roberts, Rubio, Stabenow.

NAYS --- 70

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

On motion by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) to further amend the bill, on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 1819).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1540 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. TESTER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. LUGAR, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1814).

Mr. MERKLEY modified his pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1814, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1736, proposed by Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COATS, and Mr. KYL), to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the pending amendments be laid aside; and that Ms. KLOBUCHAR be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 1617).

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The pending amendments were laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. LUGAR) to further amend the pending bill in section 32101, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1617).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1736 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 30, nays... 68

[Rollcall Vote No. 43 Leg.]

YEAS --- 30

Alexander, Ayotte, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Roberts, Rubio, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 68

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1785, proposed by Mr. CORKER (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, and Ms. AYOTTE), to the bill, as amended.

Mr. CORKER modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 1785, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

Mr. INOUYE raised a point of order, viz, that the pending amendment, as modified, violates provisions of section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. CORKER, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of the Act and Law, for consideration of the pending amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. CORKER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 40, nays... 58

[Rollcall Vote No. 44 Leg.]

YEAS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. INOUYE.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CASEY in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment, as modified, not in order.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1742, proposed by Mr. PORTMAN, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, be modified such that an amendment (Numbered 1678), intended to be proposed by Mrs. SHAHEEN, be proposed following an amendment (Numbered 1556), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1742 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 12, nays... 86

[Rollcall Vote No. 45 Leg.]

YEAS --- 12

Ayotte, Carper, Coats, Coons, Crapo, Kyl, Lieberman, McCain, Murkowski, Portman, Risch, Toomey.

NAYS --- 86

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 1810, proposed by Mr. CORKER, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to further amend the bill, on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 1830).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1810 to the bill, as amended.

VISIT TO THE SENATE BY THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That it be in order for the President of France to be permitted on the Senate floor.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1810 to the bill, as amended.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the Senate recess subject to the call of the chair.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

At 5:36 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate recessed subject to the call of the chair.

AT 5:49 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER called the Senate to order.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1813; and that the time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees.

Ordered further, That, upon disposition of bill S. 1813 on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business until 2 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees.

Ordered further, That, at 2 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on the nomination of Gina Marie Groh, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia; and that, upon conclusion of said debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:45 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 14, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5335. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyriofenone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5336. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aspergillus flavus AF36; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9341-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5337. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Secretary's personnel management demonstration project authorities for Department of Defense Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratories; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5338. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import

Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to authorizing a 90 percent guarantee on a supply chain finance facility involving The Bank of Nova Scotia, located in Toronto, Canada; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5339. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to authorizing a 90 percent guarantee on a supply chain finance facility involving Royal Bank of Scotland plc, located in Stamford, CT; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5340. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5341. A communication from the Acting Director of Human Resources, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5342. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington Nonattainment Area; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule" (FRL No. 9645-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5343. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9644-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5344. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9644-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5345. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leakage Tests on Packages for Shipment of Radioactive Material" (Regulatory Guide 7.4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5346. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Availability of the Model Safety Evaluation for Plant-Specific Adoption of Technical Specifications Task Force Traveler TSTF-505, Revision 1, 'Provide Risk-Informed Extended Completion Times - RITSTF Initiative 4B'" (NRC-2011-0277), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5347. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Fiscal Service, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payments by Banks and Other Financial Institutions of United States Savings Bonds and United States Savings Notes (Freedom Shares)" and "Regulations Governing Payment under Special Endorsement of United States Savings Bonds and United States Savings Notes (Freedom Shares)" (31 CFR Parts 321, 330), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5348. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automatic Consent to Change to the Methods of Accounting Provided in the Tangible Property Temporary Regulations" (Rev. Proc. 2012-19 and Rev. Proc. 2012-20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5349. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Calendar Year Resident Population Figures" (Notice 2012-22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5350. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Regarding the Repeal of Section 163(f)(2)(B)" (Notice 2012-20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5351. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to the Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Supplier Safeguards" (RIN0938-AQ57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

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

S. 2191. A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 396. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the

Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1598

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1598, a bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to prevent excessive speculation in commodity markets and excessive speculative position limits on energy contracts, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2098

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2098, a bill to support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems, and for other purposes.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 36

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 36, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Sudan and South Sudan: Independence and Insecurity."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 3 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Raising the Bar for Congress: Reform Proposals for the 21st Century."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 14, 2012, at 2:45 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on March 14, 2012, to conduct a hearing entitled "Ending Homelessness Among Veterans: VA's Progress on Its 5-Year Plan."

The Committee will meet in 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building beginning at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining Issues in the Prepaid Card Market."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Managing Interagency Nuclear Nonproliferation Efforts: Are We Effectively Securing Nuclear Materials Around the World?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 2 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1810, proposed by Mr. CORKER, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1556).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That the pending amendments be laid aside; and that it be in order for her to propose an amendment (Numbered 1816).

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The pending amendments were laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to further amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 1816).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That amendment No. 1669, as modified, be withdrawn; that amendments Numbered 1678, 1670, and 1568 be recalled from consideration; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, prior to each vote; and that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, as modified,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1810 to the bill, as amended.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, as modified,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1779, proposed by Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. WYDEN), to the bill, as amended.

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, as modified,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1816 to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That Mr. CARPER be recognized to speak for two minutes.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1816 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---

yeas... 76, nays... 20

[Rollcall Vote No. 46 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 20

Alexander, Blunt, Burr, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Grassley, Johanns, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Thune, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012, as modified,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1556 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

Mrs. BOXER raised a point of order, viz, that the pending amendment violates section 311(a)(2)(A) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. PAUL, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of the Act and Law for consideration of the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 42, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 47 Leg.]

YEAS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mrs. BOXER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment not in order.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That the motions to bring to a close debate on nominations, presented on Monday last, be withdrawn.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1813.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 74, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 48 Leg.]

YEAS --- 74

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Toomey.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to reconsider the vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ORDER VITIATING EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That the order of yesterday that the Senate proceed to executive session on today be vitiated.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL H.R. 3606

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That, at 11 a.m. on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 1:45 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Gina Marie Groh, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, and Michael Walter Fitzgerald, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California; that there be 15 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order, without intervening action or debate; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate resume its legislative session.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 396) supporting the goals and ideals of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week, submitted today by Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. AYOTTE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2191) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities, introduced today by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half hour therein, and the minority control the second half hour therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 3606, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:45 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 15, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5352. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0916)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5353. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0918)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5354. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program" (RIN0596-AC84), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5355. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's renotification of the intent to obligate up to $30 million in funds for the Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5356. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserves Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Guard Youth Challenge Program 2011 annual report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5357. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran declared in Executive Order 12957; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5358. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to blocking the property of certain persons contributing to the conflict in Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5359. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Private Transfer Fees" (RIN2590-AA41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 13, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5360. A communication from the Director of Insular Affairs, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Compacts of Free Association with the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands for Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5361. A communication from the Director of Insular Affairs, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "First Five-Year Review of the Compact of Free Association, As Amended, Between the Governments of the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Islands"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5362. A communication from the Director of Insular Affairs, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "First Five-Year Review of the Compact of Free Association, As Amended, Between the Governments of the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5363. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundary for the Presque Isle Wild and Scenic River in Michigan to be added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5364. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a semiannual report detailing telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba pursuant to Department of the Treasury licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5365. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5366. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for permanent export of defense articles, including, technical data, or defense services sold commercially under contract for use by the Iraqi Counter Terrorism Service Iraq Special Forces for military purposes in the amount of $1,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5367. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Rising to the Challenge: A New Era in Victim Services"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5368. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report to Congress for the Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance for fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5369. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to Food and Drug Administration Advisory Committee Vacancies and Public Disclosures; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5370. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to Federal sector equal employment opportunity complaints filed with the Office during fiscal year 2011; to the

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5371. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5372. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Airspace System Capital Investment Plan Fiscal Years 2013-2017"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5373. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation (CALM) Act" (MB Docket No. 11-93; FCC 11-182), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5374. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, ...Universal Service Reform - Mobility Fund" ((RIN3060-AF85)(DA-12-147)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5375. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization; Lifeline and Link Up; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Advancing Broadband Availability Through Digital Literacy Training" ((RIN3060-AF85)(FCC 12-11)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5376. A communication from the Associate Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act and Modernization of the Commission's Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures" (WT Docket No. 05-211; FCC 12-12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2192. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 2193. A bill to require the Food and Drug Administration to include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system, to expedite the implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 2194. A bill to award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 2195. A bill to require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to disclose delinquent tax liability; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEE, and Mr. DEMINT):

S. 2196. A bill to provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2197. A bill to require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2198. A bill to implement common sense controls on the taxpayer-funded salaries of government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 2199. A bill to spur economic growth and create jobs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 2200. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 2201. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INOUYE:

S. 2202. A bill to provide for the establishment of a private, nonprofit entity to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 397. A resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. CARPER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. REED, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 398. A resolution recognizing the 191st anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug

Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 461

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 461, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend financing of the Superfund.

S. 957

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 957, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of rehabilitative services for veterans with traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes.

S. 1119

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1119, a bill to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1167

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1737

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1737, a bill to improve the accuracy of mortgage underwriting used by Federal mortgage agencies by ensuring that energy costs are included in the underwriting process, to reduce the amount of energy consumed by homes, to facilitate the creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, supra.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2187

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2187, a bill to remove the sunset date for amendments to the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2191) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities, introduced on yesterday by Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

DISTURBANCE IN THE GALLERY

A disturbance in gallery No. 7 occurred when a man began shouting loudly, and was thereupon removed upon the direction of the Chair (Mr. TOM UDALL).

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DURBIN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1833, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1834).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID amendment to amend the pending amendment by striking "7 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "6 days" (being amendment No. 1835).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute); which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill H.R. 3606:

HARRY REID, MARY LANDRIEU, BEN NELSON, CARL LEVIN, JON TESTER, MARK BEGICH, PATTY MURRAY, MARK R. WARNER, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT MENENDEZ, TOM CARPER, J. LIEBERMAN, DEBBIE STABENOW,

ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., JEANNE SHAHEEN, TOM UDALL, JIM WEBB, BARBARA BOXER.

On motion by Mr. REID for Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. KIRK) to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1836).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1837).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 1836; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1836 to the language of bill H.R. 3606 proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute):

HARRY REID, BEN NELSON, MARY LANDRIEU, CARL LEVIN, JON TESTER, MARK BEGICH, PATTY MURRAY, MARK R. WARNER, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT MENENDEZ, TOM CARPER, J. LIEBERMAN, DEBBIE STABENOW, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., JEANNE SHAHEEN, TOM UDALL, JIM WEBB, BARBARA BOXER.

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 1838).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the pending motion to commit by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 1839).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 1840).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on pending bill H.R. 3606

HARRY REID, BEN NELSON, JON TESTER, CHUCK SCHUMER, JOE MANCHIN, PATTY MURRAY, MARK R. WARNER, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT MENENDEZ, TOM CARPER, J. LIEBERMAN, DEBBIE STABENOW, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., TOM UDALL, JIM WEBB, BARBARA BOXER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorums under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 1:45 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN,

Ordered, That she be added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 1833.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Pending debate,

HELP TO ACCESS LAND FOR THE EDUCATION OF SCOUTS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 473) to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE 225TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 886) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. PRYOR) to amend the pending bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1847).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE 191ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF GREECE AND CELEBRATING GREEK AND AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 398) recognizing the 191st anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy, submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr.

DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. CARPER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. REED, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KIRK, and Mr. CHAMBLISS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" first-degree amendments to amendment No. 1833 and said bill H.R. 3606 until 4 p.m. on Monday next.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 4:33 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2012.

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012

Mr. JEFF BINGAMAN, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BINGAMAN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF BINGAMAN, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BINGAMAN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2203. A bill to establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Education Center in New York, New York, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2204. A bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation; read the first time.

By Mr. MORAN:

S. 2205. A bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. REED):

S. Res. 399. A resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 685

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 685, a bill to repeal the Federal sugar program.

S. 740

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 740, a bill to revise and extend provisions under the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act.

S. 987

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 987, a bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 1270

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1270, a bill to prohibit the export from the United States of certain electronic waste, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1329

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1329, a bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to establish a pilot program to facilitate the provision of education and training programs in the field of advanced manufacturing.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1597

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1597, a bill to provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary school and secondary school buildings in public school districts and community colleges across the United States in order to support the achievement of improved educational outcomes in those schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1906

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1906, a bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program as the program applies to units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 2032

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2032, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2135

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2135, a bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to authorize a national toll-free hotline and website, to develop and disseminate child care consumer education information for parents and to help parents access child care in their community, and for other purposes.

S. 2143

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2143, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2188

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2188, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1839, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1813

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding passage of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes, on Wednesday, March 14, 2012, it be in order for amendment No. 1903 to be considered proposed by Mrs. BOXER, and agreed to.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; BILL REFERRED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of the bill (S. 2076) to improve security at State and local courthouses; and that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation, introduced today by Mr. MENENDEZ, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

Ordered further, That the time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute).

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute), amendment No. 1836, and to the pending bill, until 11 a.m. on tomorrow.

Ordered further, That, at 12:30 p.m., on tomorrow, the Senate recess subject to the call of the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:44 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 20, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 3606

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the order of yesterday be modified such that, at 4 p.m. on today, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1833, amendment No. 1836, and the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and that, if a motion is agreed to, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be considered to have commenced at 12 noon on today.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation, introduced on yesterday by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. REID), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5377. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense counternarcotics support activities (OSS Control No. 2012-0397); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5378. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Defense Stockpile (NDS) Annual Materials Plan for fiscal year 2013 and the succeeding 4 years, fiscal years 2014 - 2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5379. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits

Program; Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Administrative Changes" (FRL No. 9645-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5380. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Final Response to Petition From New Jersey Regarding SO2 Emissions From the Portland Generating Station" (FRL No. 9648-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5381. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Dakota; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan; Federal Implementation Plan for Interstate Transport of Pollution Affecting Visibility and Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9648-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5382. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Jersey; Motor Vehicle Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program" (FRL No. 9635-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5383. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of California; Ozone; Nitrogen Dioxide; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 9649-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5384. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OHIO: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9646-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5385. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Determination of Attainment of the One-hour Ozone Standard for the Greater Connecticut Area" (FRL No. 9648-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5386. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Priorities List, Final Rule No. 53" (FRL No. 9647-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5387. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9647-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5388. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Conformity Rule Restructuring Amendments" (FRL No. 9637-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5389. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clean Air Act Full Approval of Title V Operating Permits Program; Southern Ute Indian Tribe" (FRL No. 9646-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5390. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ongoing Review of Operating Experience" (LR-ISG-2011-05), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 15, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5391. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production" (FRL No. 9636-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5392. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of TSCA Section 4 Testing Requirements for Certain High Production Volume Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9335-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5393. A communication from the Assistant Director for Policy, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Transactions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 560), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5394. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Actuarial Report on the Financial Outlook for Medicaid"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5395. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5396. A communication from the Chair of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment Access Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5397. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Establishment of Exchanges and Qualified Health Plans; Exchange Standards for Employers" (RIN0938-AQ67), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5398. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities; Swimming Pools" (RIN1190-AA68), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to

the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a correspondence from the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5400. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2206. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary before such individuals receive such assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 2207. A bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2208. A bill to amend the Export Apple Act to permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification by the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 2209. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2210. A bill to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2211. A bill to ban the exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2212. A bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2213. A bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2214. A bill to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Ms. CANTWELL, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 400. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 557

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1350

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1350, a bill to expand the research, prevention, and awareness activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health with respect to pulmonary fibrosis, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. HELLER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2193

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2193, a bill to require the Food and Drug Administration to include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system, to expedite the implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices, and for other purposes.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 397

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 397, a resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, supra.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 2:45 p.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT AND THE COURTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Looming Student Debt Crisis: Providing Fairness for Struggling Students."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AVIATION OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

The Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 2:45 p.m. in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Commercial Airline Safety Oversight."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

The Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m. in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Oversight, Review of the Environmental Protection Agency's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) for Power Plants."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 3 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

The Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth of the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Fraud by Identity Theft, Part 2: Status, Progress, and Potential Solutions."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 20, 2012, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled, "A Review of the Office of Special Counsel and the Merit Systems Protection Board."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 473. An act to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 10:57 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3992. An act to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E 2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar nonimmigrant status in Israel.

H.R. 4086. An act to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 3992. An act to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E-2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar nonimmigrant status in Israel; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4086. An act to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1839, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated

amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

Pending debate,

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COONS,

At 12:31p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit, with instructions.

Pending debate,

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 2038

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing the pending motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to concur; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to bill S. 2038:

HARRY REID, JEFF BINGAMAN, D. K. INOUYE, JOE LIEBERMAN, TIM JOHNSON, DANIEL K. AKAKA, DICK DURBIN, CHUCK SCHUMER, JOHN BARRASSO, SCOTT BROWN, MITCH MCCONNELL, JON KYL, RICHARD SHELBY, ROB PORTMAN, JOHN CORNYN, JOHN HOEVEN, MARCO RUBIO, LISA MURKOWSKI, JEFF SESSIONS, MIKE JOHANNS, SUSAN COLLINS, TOM COBURN.

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the bill, with an amendment (Numbered 1940).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the amendment contained in the pending motion by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 1941).

On motion by Mr. REID to refer the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with instructions to report back forthwith an amendment (Numbered 1942).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 1942) contained in the pending motion to refer, by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 1943).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 1944).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit, with instructions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 15, 2012, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The hour of 4 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 54, nays... 45

[Rollcall Vote No. 51 Leg.]

YEAS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on March 15, 2012, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1836 to the language of bill H.R. 3606 proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 1833.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 55, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 52 Leg.]

YEAS --- 55

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD),

Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840 to amendment No. 1839 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion to commit, with instructions.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

Ordered further, That time from 2:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. on tomorrow be for debate relative to acknowledgement of the milestone of Ms. MIKULSKI in becoming the longest serving woman in Congress.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 5:21 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5401. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2010 Status of the Nation's Highways, Bridges and Transit: Conditions and Performance"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5402. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Fisheries; 2012 Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-XA674), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5403. A communication from the Acting Division Chief, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Overflight Regulations for the Channel Islands, Monterey Bay, Gulf of the Farallones, and Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuaries" (RIN0648-AX79), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5404. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod By Vessels Using Pot Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA988), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5405. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Pot Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA992), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5406. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XA987), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5407. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Augusta S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1454)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5408. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Community Development Quota Program" (RIN0648-AV33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5409. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Chinook Salmon Bycatch Management in the Bering Sea Pollock Fishery; Economic Data Collection" (RIN0648-BA80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5410. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 2 for the South Atlantic Region; Correction" (RIN0648-BB26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5411. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 32" (RIN0648-AY56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5412. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Gulf of Maine Winter Flounder Catch Limit Revisions" (RIN0648-XA913), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5413. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (29); Amdt. No. 3461" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5414. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (82); Amdt. No. 3460" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5415. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0382)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5416. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eclipse Aerospace, Inc. Airplanes Equipped with Pratt and Whitney Canada, Corp. PW610F-A Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0199)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5417. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules (4); Amdt. No. 498" (RIN2120-AA63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5418. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conductor Certification" (RIN2130-AC36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5419. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls Royce plc (RR) RB211-Trent 800 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0755)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5420. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0533)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5421. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Transport Category Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0956)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5422. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0889)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5423. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0725)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5424. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Inc., Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1092)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5425. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0571)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5426. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1067)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5427. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; DASSAULT AVIATION Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1166)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5428. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1227)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5429. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2006-25001)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5430. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0994)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5431. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; 328 Support Services GmbH (Type Certificate Previously Held by AvCraft Aerospace GmbH; Fairchild Dornier GmbH; Dornier Luftfahrt GmbH) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0912), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5432. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Roll-Royce plc (RR) RB211-535 Series Turbofan Engine" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2009-0994)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5433. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0691)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5434. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Thielert Aircraft Engines GmbH Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0956)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5435. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Superior Air Parts, Lycoming Engines (Formerly Textron Lycoming), and Continental Motors, Inc., Fuel-Injected Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0547)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5436. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2010-0068)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5437. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. TPE331-10 and TPE331-11 Series Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0789)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5438. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0037)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5439. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0946)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5440. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0004)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COONS):

S. 2215. A bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 2216. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. ENZI, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2217. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2218. A bill to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. REED, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. WEBB, Mr. CONRAD, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2219. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2220. A bill for the relief of Momo Krcic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COATS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KIRK, Mr. KYL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2221. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2222. A bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BURR, and Mr. SHELBY):

S.J. Res. 38. A joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 401. A resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. HATCH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. REED, Mr. MORAN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. COATS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. Res. 402. A resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 403. A resolution to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in United States v. Richard F. "Dickie" Scruggs; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 102

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 102, a bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1129

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1129, a bill to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes.

S. 1366

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1366, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to broaden the special rules for certain governmental plans under section 105(j) to include plans established by political subdivisions.

S. 2090

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2090, a bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added

as a cosponsor of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2201, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2213, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 356

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

SENATE RESOLUTION 397

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 397, a resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Retooling Government for the 21st Century: The President's Reorganization Plan and Reducing Duplication."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "The Homeland Security Department's Budget Submission for Fiscal Year 2013."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Justice for All: Convicting the Guilty and Exonerating the Innocent."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, in room G 50 of the Senate Dirksen Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ANTITRUST, COMPETITION POLICY, AND CONSUMER RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 21, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Verizon/Cable Deals: Harmless Collaboration or a Threat to Competition and Consumers?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:42 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 665. An act to establish a pilot program for the expedited disposal of Federal real property.

H.R. 2087. An act to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia.

The message also announced that pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 35, 112th Congress, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: Mr. BOEHNER of Ohio, Mr. CANTOR of Virginia, and Ms. PELOSI of California.

At 4:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 108. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 886) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 306. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 665. An act to establish a pilot program for the expedited disposal of Federal real property; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2087. An act to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job

creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1840, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1839, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1838) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 15, 2012, to bring to a close debate on bill H.R. 3606.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 15, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 76, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 53 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Akaka, Baucus, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Conrad, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Reed, Sanders, Webb, Whitehouse.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The motion having been agreed to,

The pending motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs with instructions (designated amendment No. 1838), and amendments Numbered 1839 and 1840 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1837, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1836, proposed by Mr. REID for Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. LIEBERMAN), to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute).

Mr. REID raised a point of order that amendment No. 1836 is not germane, pursuant to provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and therefore is not in order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment not in order (taking with it amendment No. 1837 thereto).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. REID for Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. MENENDEZ), to the bill, as amended.

Mr. REID raised a point of order that amendment No. 1833 (in the nature of a substitute) is not germane, pursuant to provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and therefore is not in order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment not in order (taking with it amendments Numbered 1834 and 1835 thereto)

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN) to amend the pending bill by striking title III, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 1884).

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. REED) to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1931).

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 1945

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1945) to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. SESSIONS objected.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 671

Mr. SESSIONS asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 671) to authorize the United States Marshals Service to issue administrative subpoenas in investigations relating to unregistered sex offenders; that the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be agreed to; and that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1931 to amendment No. 1884 to the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, following morning business on tomorrow, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 3606; that the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, at 12:30 p.m., the time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate be concluded; that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to pending amendments No. 1931 and 1884, as may be amended; that, upon disposition of said amendments, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; and that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate between the votes.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1931 to amendment No. 1884 to the bill.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 2038

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, upon disposition of bill H.R. 3606 on tomorrow, the Senate resume consideration of the House amendment to the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; that there be four minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur; that, if said motion is agreed to, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules

of the Senate, be considered concluded; that the motion to concur with amendment be withdrawn; that the motion to concur in the House amendment be agreed to; and that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table.

Ordered further, That each vote following the first be ten minutes in duration.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1931 to amendment No. 1884 to the bill.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, on tomorrow, following disposition of the motion to concur in the House amendment to the bill S. 2038, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of David Nuffer, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, Ronnie Abrams, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Rudolph Contreras, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, en bloc; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order, without intervening action or debate; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no other motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

AUTHORIZING SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENTATION

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 403) to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in United States v. Richard F. "Dickie" Scruggs, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; BILL REFERRED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 306) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

ORDER FOR PRINTING OF TRIBUTES AS SENATE DOCUMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That tributes to Ms. MIKULSKI be printed as a Senate document; and that Senators be authorized to submit said tributes until Thursday, March 29, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 3606.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to the motion to concur in the House amendment to bill S. 2038.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Mr. WYDEN and Ms. LANDRIEU.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 7:10 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, March 22, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5441. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0112)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5442. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amdt. No. 3465" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5443. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amdt. No. 3464" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5444. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland Model EC135 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0453)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5445. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CPAC, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1128)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5446. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Mooney Aviation Company, Inc. (Mooney) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0182)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5447. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Aviation Communications and Surveillance Systems (ACSS) Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System (TCAS) Units" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1204)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5448. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1245)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5449. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1171)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5450. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Considerations for Lavatory Oxygen Systems" (RIN2120-AJ92), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5451. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class D and Class E Airspace; Hawthorne, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0610)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5452. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; South Bend, IN" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0250)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5453. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Newport, RI" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0443)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5454. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; HITS Triathlon; Corpus Christi Bayfront, Corpus Christi, TX" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0785)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5455. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Vicinity of Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1166)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5456. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; M/V Del Monte Live-Fire Gun Exercise, James River, Isle of Wight, Virginia" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0010)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5457. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Mississippi River, Mile Marker 230 to Mile Marker 234, in the Vicinity of Baton Rouge, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0841)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5458. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Ice Rescue Exercise; Green Bay, Dyckesville, Wisconsin" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No.

USCG-2011-1161)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5459. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, Mile Marker 35.2 to Mile Marker 35.5, Larose, Lafourche Parish, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1128)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5460. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Potomac and Anacostia Rivers, Washington, D.C." ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1165)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5461. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; 24th Annual North American International Auto Show, Detroit River, Detroit, MI" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1157)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5462. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Moving Security Zone Around Escorted Vessels on the Lower Mississippi River Between Mile Marker 90.0 Above Head of Passes to Mile Marker 110.0 Above Head of Passes" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1063)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5463. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc (RR) RB211-Trent 800 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0836)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5464. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Authorization to Use Lower Than Standard Takeoff, Approach and Landing Minimums at Military and Foreign Airports; Confirmation of Effective Date of Effective Date" ((RIN2120-AK02)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0007)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5465. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Category IIIa, IIIb, and IIIc Definitions" ((RIN2120-AK03)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0019)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5466. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB049), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5467. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BB88), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5468. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB035), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5469. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Closure" (RIN0648-XA990), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5470. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species by Amendment 80 Vessels in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB044), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5471. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands" (RIN0648-XB038), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5472. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB036), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5473. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 50 Feet (15.2 Meters) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB062), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5474. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB051), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. CORKER, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2223. A bill to address the implementation of certain prohibitions under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2224. A bill to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2225. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 2226. A bill to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other financial assistance under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity carried out outside the United States, including the territories and possessions of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2227. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 2228. A bill to convey certain Federal land to the city of Yerington, Nevada; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 2229. A bill to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. REED, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 2230. A bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; read the first time.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 2231. A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2232. A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S.J. Res. 39. A joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 404. A resolution recognizing the life and work of war correspondent Marie Colvin and other courageous journalists in war zones; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 405. A resolution authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 25

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 25, a bill to phase out the Federal sugar program, and for other purposes.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 803

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 803, a bill to implement a comprehensive border security plan to combat illegal immigration, drug and alien smuggling, and violent activity in the southwest border of the United States.

S. 1168

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1168, a bill to authorize a national grant program for on-the-job training.

S. 1700

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1700, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to device review determinations and conflicts of interest, and for other purposes.

S. 1763

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1763, a bill to decrease the incidence of violent crimes against Indian women, to strengthen the capacity of Indian tribes to exercise the sovereign authority of Indian tribes to respond to violent crimes committed against Indian women, and to ensure that perpetrators of violent crimes committed against Indian women are held accountable for that criminal behavior, and for other purposes.

S. 1824

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1824, a bill to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1933

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1933, a bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2137

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2137, a bill to prohibit the issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment in the Armed Forces for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2177

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2177, a bill to strengthen the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2215

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2215, a bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2221

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2221, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.

S. 2222

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 2222, a bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 9:45 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "International Harmonization of Wall Street Reform: Orderly Liquidation, Derivatives, and the Volcker Rule."

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 10:15 a.m., in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Environmental Protection Agency Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Hearing."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing entitled "Stay-at-Work and Back-to-Work Strategies: Lessons from the Private Sector" on March 22, 2012, at 10:15 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 2:15 p.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 22, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 10 a.m. in room 432 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a roundtable entitled "A Spotlight on Small Business Investment Companies and Their Role in the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012. The Committees will meet in room 345 of the Cannon House Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, ND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "New Audit Finds Problems in Army Military Pay."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

The Subcommittee on Health Care of the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Prescription Drug Abuse: How are Medicare and Medicaid Adapting to the Challenge?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 22, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 886. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 3:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5. An act to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 note) as amended, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term effective March 23, 2012, and ending May 14, 2014: Mr. Robert P. George of Princeton, New Jersey.

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WARNER in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1931, proposed by Mr. REID (for Mr. REED), to amendment No. 1884, proposed by Mr. REID for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), to the bill.

Pending debate,

The hour of 12:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

Time for debate on the bill, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate being considered concluded,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1931 to amendment No. 1884 to the bill.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

A motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1884 to the bill.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, March 20, 2012,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 64, nays... 35

[Rollcall Vote No. 54 Leg.]

YEAS --- 64

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hutchison, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 35

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

A motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. INHOFE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 73, nays... 26

[Rollcall Vote No. 55 Leg.]

YEAS --- 73

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 26

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Conrad, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

A motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 2038

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. MCCASKILL in the chair) laid before the Senate the amendment received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 2038) to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the House amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1944, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 1943, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1942) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to refer the House amendment to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to bill S. 2038.

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, March 20, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 96, nays... 3

[Rollcall Vote No. 56 Leg.]

YEAS --- 96

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 3

Burr, Coburn, Grassley.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion to refer the House amendment to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs with instructions (designated amendment No. 1942), and amendments Numbered 1943 and 1944 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

Time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, on the pending motion to concur in the House amendment was concluded.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion to concur in the House amendment with amendment No. 1940 was withdrawn (taking with it amendment No. 1941 thereto).

The question being on agreeing to the motion to concur in the House amendment to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

A motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2204

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204:

HARRY REID, ROBERT MENENDEZ, DICK DURBIN, PATRICK LEAHY, PATTY MURRAY, CARL LEVIN, CHUCK SCHUMER, BERNARD SANDERS, AMY KLOBUCHAR, AL FRANKEN, BEN CARDIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, SHERROD BROWN, MARK UDALL, DANIEL K. AKAKA, DEBBIE STABENOW, JOHN KERRY.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the pending motion to proceed be withdrawn.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1789

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789:

HARRY REID, TOM CARPER, SHERROD BROWN, MARK BEGICH, BILL NELSON, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, JEANNE SHAHEEN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, CHRIS COONS, DIANNE FEINSTEIN, PAT LEAHY, DICK DURBIN, J. LIEBERMAN, PATTY MURRAY, CHUCK SCHUMER, MARK PRYOR.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

PERMITTING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL FOR A CEREMONY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COONS in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 108) permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND WORK OF WAR CORRESPONDENT MARIE COLVIN

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 404) recognizing the life and work of war correspondent Marie Colvin and other courageous journalists in war zones, submitted today by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF A PHOTOGRAPH IN THE CHAMBER OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 405) authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers, introduced today by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. REED, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2231) to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, on recommendation of the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, Public Law 107-228, and Public Law 112-75, had appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: M. Zuhdi Jasser, of Arizona.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 4:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204; that the time until 5:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees; that, at 5:30 p.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204; that, if said motion is not agreed to, there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:28 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2012.

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, March 22, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers, introduced on Thursday, March 22, 2012 by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. REED, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. SCHUMER), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2231) to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes, introduced on Thursday, March 22, 2012 by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following messages from the President of the United States were transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S INTENT TO ADD THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN (SOUTH SUDAN) TO THE LIST OF BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAM -- PM 44

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(1)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "1974 Act") (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(1)(A)), I am notifying the Congress of my intent to add the Republic of South Sudan (South Sudan) to the list of beneficiary developing countries under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. South Sudan became an independent nation on July 9, 2011. After considering the criteria set forth in section 502(c) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(c)), I have determined that South Sudan should be designated as a GSP beneficiary developing country.

In addition, in accordance with section 502(f)(1)(B) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(1)(B)), I am providing notification of my intent to add South Sudan to the list of least-developed beneficiary countries under the GSP program. After considering the criteria set forth in section 502(c) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to extend least-developed beneficiary developing country benefits to South Sudan.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 26, 2012.*

NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S INTENT TO SUSPEND DESIGNATION OF ARGENTINA AS A BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAM -- PM 45

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "1974 Act") (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(2)), I am providing notification of my intent to suspend designation of Argentina as a beneficiary developing country under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. Section 502(b)(2)(E) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(b)(2)(E)) provides that the President shall not designate any country a beneficiary developing country under the GSP if such country fails to act in good faith in enforcing arbitral awards in favor of U.S.-owned companies. Section 502(d)(2) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(d)(2)) provides that, after complying with the requirements of section 502(f)(2) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(2)), the President shall withdraw or suspend the designation of any country as a beneficiary developing country if, after such designation, the President determines that as the result of changed circumstances such country would be barred from designation as a beneficiary developing country under section 502(b)(2) of the 1974 Act.

Pursuant to section 502(d) of the 1974 Act, having considered the factors set forth in section 502(b)(2)(E), I have determined that it is appropriate to suspend Argentina's designation as a beneficiary country under the GSP program because it has not acted in good faith in enforcing arbitral awards in favor of U.S.-owned companies.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *March 26, 2012.*

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. LEE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KIRK, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. COONS):

S. 2233. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2234. A bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2235. A bill to prohibit the establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. BURR):

S. 2236. A bill to provide for the expedited development and evaluation of drugs designated as breakthrough drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2237. A bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Res. 406. A resolution commending the achievements and recognizing the importance of the Alliance to Save Energy on the 35th anniversary of the incorporation of the Alliance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 550

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 550, a bill to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, and for other purposes.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 835

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 835, a bill to reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, modernize firearms laws and regulations, protect the community from criminals, and for other purposes.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1575

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1575, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems.

S. 1696

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1696, a bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2085

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2085, a bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of

a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2155

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2155, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to promote biobased manufacturing.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2221

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2221, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 356

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

SENATE RESOLUTION 370

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 370, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2204

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 22, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. KLOBUCHAR in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on that day, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 92, nays... 4

[Rollcall Vote No. 59 Leg.]

YEAS --- 92

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 4

Begich, Inhofe, Landrieu, Nelson (NE).

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. REID, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, on recommendation of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55 and Public Law 107-228 and 112-75, had appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Katrina Lantos Swett, of New Hampshire.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204.

Ordered further, That time in adjournment, recess, and morning business count against time for debate on the motion to proceed, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Ordered further, That, at 12:30 p.m., on tomorrow, the Senate recess subject to the call of the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:44 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012

Mr. JEFF BINGAMAN, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BINGAMAN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 27, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF BINGAMAN, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BINGAMAN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. REID, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5475. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's 2012 compensation program adjustments; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5476. A communication from the Chief Information Officer, Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modifications of Interlibrary Loan Fee Schedule" (RIN0518-AA04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5477. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conservation Loan Program" (RIN0560-AI04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5478. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John C. Koziol, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5479. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Frank G. Helmick, United States Army, and his advancement to

the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5480. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed change by the Air Force Reserve to the Fiscal Year 2010 National Guard and Reserve Equipment Appropriation (NGREA) procurement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5481. A communication from the Public Information Manager, Office of Privacy, Records, and Disclosure, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Procedures" (RIN3460-AA00), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5482. A communication from the Public Information Manager, Office of Privacy, Records, and Disclosure, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requests for Testimony or the Production of Records in a Court or Other Proceedings in Which the United States is not a Party" (RIN3460-AA00), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 16, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5483. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California Air Resources Board - In-Use Heavy-Duty Diesel-Fueled Truck and Bus Regulation, and Drayage Truck Regulation" (FRL No. 9633-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5484. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits Program; Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Administrative Changes" (FRL No. 9645-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5485. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Volatile Organic Compound Emission Control Measures for Chicago and Metro-East St. Louis Ozone Nonattainment Areas" (FRL No. 9633-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5486. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Nevada; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9612-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5487. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9651-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5488. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Moderate Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9652-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5489. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Planning and Notification; Emergency Planning and List of Extremely Hazardous Substances and Threshold Planning Quantities" (FRL No. 9651-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5490. A communication from the Correspondence and Regulations Assistant, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Eligibility Changes under the Affordable Care Act of 2010" (RIN0938-AQ62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5491. A communication from the Correspondence and Regulations Assistant, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Student Health Insurance Coverage" (RIN0938-AQ95), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5492. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - Correction to Rev. Rul. 2012-9" (Rev. Rul. 2012-12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5493. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - April 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-11), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5494. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress: Medicare Payment Policy"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5495. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0028 - 2012-0034); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5496. A communication from the Correspondence and Regulations Assistant, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Standards Related to Reinsurance, Risk Corridors and Risk Adjustment" (RIN0938-AR07), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5497. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Quarters of Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5498. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the District of Columbia Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5499. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Nevada Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5500. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States" for the September 2011 session; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2238. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 2239. A bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 2240. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. COONS, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2241. A bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 407. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that executives of the bankrupt firm MF Global should not be rewarded with bonuses while customer money is still missing; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 798

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 798, a bill to provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1316

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1316, a bill to prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1696

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1696, a bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

S. 1755

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1755, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes.

S. 1774

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1774, a bill to establish the Rocky Mountain Front Conservation Management Area, to designate certain Federal land as wilderness, and to improve the management of noxious weeds in the Lewis and Clark National Forest, and for other purposes.

S. 1945

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1945, a bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2113

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2113, a bill to empower the Food and Drug Administration to ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health.

S. 2120

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2120, a bill to require the lender or servicer of a home mortgage upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2139

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2139, a bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes.

S. 2140

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2140, a bill to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to modify the period used to calculate certain unemployment rates, to encourage the development of business incubators, and for other purposes.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

S. 2221

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2221, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.

S. 2222

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2222, a bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets.

S. 2226

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2226, a bill to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other financial assistance under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity carried out outside the United States, including the territories and possessions of the United States.

S. 2232

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2232, a bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes.

S. 2233

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2233, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 38, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 344

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 344, a resolution supporting the democratic aspirations of the Nicaraguan people and calling attention to the deterioration of constitutional order in Nicaragua.

SENATE RESOLUTION 356

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

SENATE RESOLUTION 395

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 395, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the NATO summit to be held in Chicago, Illinois from May 20 through 21, 2012.

SENATE RESOLUTION 397

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 397, a resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 2:45 p.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Renewable Energy Tax Incentives: How have the recent and pending expirations of key incentives affected the renewable energy industry in the United States?"

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

The Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 3:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The Choice Neighborhoods Initiative: A New Community Development Model."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES, AND BORDER SECURITY

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 27, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Economic Imperative for Promoting International Travel to the United States."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON GREEN JOBS AND THE NEW ECONOMY AND THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy and the Subcommittee on Oversight of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 27, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a joint hearing entitled, "Oversight Hearing on EPA's Work With Other Federal Entities to Reduce Pollution and Improve Environmental Performance."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:14 p.m., a message from the House, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2682. An act to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2779. An act to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

H.R. 4014. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

At 2:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 2038. An act to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefits, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 3:53 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3606) to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

The message also announced that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the House of Representatives the bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

At 5:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3606. An act to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:32 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed subject to the call of the chair.

AT 2:43 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2204

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 22, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That time until 3:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 3:30 p.m., the Senate agree to the pending motion to proceed.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, upon conclusion of said debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2204

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2204.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

The hour of 3:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The motion was agreed to.

OBJECTION RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, if the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789 is

agreed to, and the motion to proceed is subsequently agreed to, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 2204 at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1789

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 22, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 46

[Rollcall Vote No. 60 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Cardin, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed.

REPEAL BIG OIL TAX SUBSIDIES ACT

The motion to proceed having been agreed to on today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1968).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "1 day" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 1969).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 1970).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 1970) contained in the pending motion to commit, at the appropriate place, by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 1971).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "4 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "5 days" (being amendment No. 1972).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 2204:

HARRY REID, ROBERT MENENDEZ, BEN CARDIN, JEFFREY A. MERKLEY, PAT LEAHY, MICHAEL BENNET, JOHN KERRY, AL FRANKEN, TOM UDALL, JEANNE SHAHEEN, BILL NELSON, DANIEL K. AKAKA, CLAIRE MCCASKILL, CHRIS COONS, JACK REED, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 1972 to amendment No. 1971 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 1970) contained in the motion to commit.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2191

Mr. DEMINT asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2191) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

Mr. HARKIN objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 1905

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1905) to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of the bill (S. 2101) to strengthen the multilateral sanctions regime with respect to Iran, to expand sanctions relating to the energy sector of Iran, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction by Iran, and human rights abuses in Iran, and for other purposes, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that motions to reconsider be made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. PAUL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Mirandu Du, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, and Susie Morgan, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

EXPRESSING SENSE OF THE SENATE RELATIVE TO BONUSES FOR EXECUTIVES OF BANKRUPT FIRM MF GLOBAL

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 407) expressing the sense of the Senate that executives of the bankrupt firm MF Global should not be rewarded with bonuses while customer money is still missing, submitted today by Ms. STABENOW (herself and Mr. ROBERTS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2682) to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Ms. LANDRIEU asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Ms. LANDRIEU objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2779) to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Ms. LANDRIEU asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Ms. LANDRIEU objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4014) to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Ms. LANDRIEU asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Ms. LANDRIEU objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING RETURN TO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF PAPERS ON BILL H.R. 5

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to return to the House of Representatives the papers on bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" first-degree amendments to bill S. 2204 until 11 a.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

At 8:01 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 28, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2682) to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2779) to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4014) to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate, the motion, made by Mr. REID on yesterday, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday that the Senate proceed to executive session at 5 p.m. on today, the Senate instead proceed to executive session at 4:30 p.m.; and that the provisions of the order of yesterday relative to executive session remain in order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2204

Ms. MURKOWSKI asked unanimous consent that, notwithstanding the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation not presently being before the Senate, it be in order for her to propose an amendment (Numbered 1985) thereto.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTIONS RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2204

Mr. VITTER asked unanimous consent that, when the Senate resumes consideration of bill S. 2204, it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 1965) thereto.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Mr. VITTER asked unanimous consent that, when the Senate resumes consideration of bill S. 2204, it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 1997) thereto.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Mr. MCCAIN asked unanimous consent that, when the Senate resumes consideration of bill S. 2204, it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 1948) thereto.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Mr. BARRASSO asked unanimous consent that, when the Senate resumes consideration of bill S. 2204, it be in order for him to propose amendments (Numbered 1956 and 1957) thereto.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Wednesday, March 28, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2038. An original bill to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5501. A communication from the Vice President of Government Affairs and Corporate Communications, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, Amtrak, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Amtrak's Executive Level 1 salary for 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5502. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB014), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5503. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod for American Fisheries Act Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB028), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5504. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB010), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5505. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Closure" (RIN0648-XA989), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5506. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Sub-ACL (Annual Catch Limit) Harvested for Management Area 2" (RIN0648-XB001), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5507. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Sub-ACL (Annual Catch Limit) Havested for Management Area 1B" (RIN0648-XA971), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5508. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Adjustment to 2012 Annual Catch Limits" (RIN0648-BB50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5509. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Amendment 11; Correction" (RIN0648-AX05), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5510. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XB031), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5511. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Services Surveys: BE-150, Quarterly Survey of Cross-Border Credit, Debit, and Charge Card Transactions" (RIN0691-AA79), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5512. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Tracking and Data Relay Satellite System (TDRSS) Rates for Non-U.S. Government Customers" (RIN2700-AD72), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5513. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Claims for Patent and Copyright Infringement" (RIN2700-AD63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5514. A communication from the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress: Export and Reexport License Requirements to Temporarily Control Items that Provide at Least a Significant Military or Intelligence Advantage to the United States or for Foreign Policy Reasons"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5515. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/Processors Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB004), received

in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 80. A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 344. A resolution supporting the democratic aspirations of the Nicaraguan people and calling attention to the deterioration of constitutional order in Nicaragua.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 356. A resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

S. Res. 391. A resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against journalists, and expressing the sense of the Senate on freedom of the press in Syria.

S. Res. 395. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the NATO summit to be held in Chicago, Illinois from May 20 through 21, 2012.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 397. A resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KYL, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. TOOMEY, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. COBURN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. COATS):

S. 2242. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 2243. A bill to establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating Medicare beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2244. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist in the identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. HELLER, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KYL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. COATS, Mr. PAUL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 2245. A bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 2246. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 2247. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to improve the functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. VITTER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2248. A bill to clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 2249. A bill to provide for the reform of the Senior Executive Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. Res. 408. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KOHL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. Res. 409. A resolution designating April 2012 as "Financial Literacy Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. Res. 410. A resolution honoring the accomplishments and legacy of Cesar Estrada Chavez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 606

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 606, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve the priority review voucher incentive program relating to tropical and rare pediatric diseases.

S. 700

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 700,

a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the treatment of certain farming business machinery and equipment as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation.

S. 1131

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1131, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to establish and implement a birth defects prevention, risk reduction, and public awareness program.

S. 1147

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1147, a bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and service to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, and for other purposes.

S. 1174

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1174, a bill to provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment.

S. 1506

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1506, a bill to prevent the Secretary of the Treasury from expanding United States bank reporting requirements with respect to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2168

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2168, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor.

S. 2197

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2197, a bill to require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, supra.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2221

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2221, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.

S. 2222

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2222, a bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets.

S. 2233

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2233, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BINGAMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The Science and Standards of Forensics."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "High Stakes and Hard Choices: U.S. Policy on Iran."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Hearing on the Special Counsel's Report on the Prosecution of Senator Ted Stevens."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on March 28, 2012, at 3 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building, beginning at 9:45 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Economic Policy be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Retirement (In) Security: Examining the Retirement Savings Deficit."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Assessing Efforts to Combat Waste and Fraud in Federal Programs."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 2 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

The Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:41 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3298. An act to establish the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3309. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 3298. An act to establish the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3309. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 408) supporting the goals and ideals of Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day, submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mrs. HAGAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH"

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 409) designating April 2012 as "Financial Literacy Month", submitted today by Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KOHL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. SHERROD BROWN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230; that the time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein; and that, at 11:30 a.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 2204.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to bill S. 2204 until 10:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 7:07 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. Tom UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, March 29, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 2204

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, at 11:15 a.m. on today, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 2204.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE ON BILL S. 2204

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the bill (S. 2204) to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, March 27, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The hour of 11:15 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 63 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EXTENSION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4281) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230:

HARRY REID, S. WHITEHOUSE, JAY ROCKEFELLER, BARBARA BOXER, PATRICK LEAHY, JEFF BINGAMAN, DICK DURBIN, DANIEL K. AKAKA, AL FRANKEN, JACK REED, MARK BEGICH, SHERROD BROWN, CARL LEVIN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BERNARD SANDERS, DEBBIE STABENOW, CHUCK SCHUMER, PATTY MURRAY.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion on Monday, April 16, 2012, when the Senate resumes its legislative session following the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Stephanie Dawn Thacker.

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, in consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Donna Mary Murphy, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order relative to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5516. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commodity Pool Operators and Commodity Trading Advisors: Compliance Obligations" (RIN3038-AD30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5517. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State and Zone Designations; New Mexico; Correction" (Docket No. APHIS-2008-0124), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5518. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus pumilus strain GHA 180; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9343-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5519. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Cooperative Threat Reduction Programs (DCN OSS-2012-0407); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5520. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's fiscal year 2010-2018 Strategic Workforce plan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5521. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual Developing Countries Combined Exercise Program Report of Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5522. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Secretary's personnel management demonstration project authorities for Department of Defense Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratories; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5523. A communication from the Principal Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Research, Development and Acquisition), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of plans to donate the destroyer ex-EDSON (DD 946) to the Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum for permanent berthing and public display in Bay City, Michigan, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5524. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5525. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and Delisting Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishing a Manatee Refuge in Kings Bay, Citrus County, FL" (RIN1018-AX27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5526. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundary for the Allegheny Wild and Scenic River in Pennsylvania, added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5527. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maine; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9652-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5528. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources" (FRL No. 9653-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5529. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Amendment to HFO-1234yf SNAP Rule for Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning Sector" (FRL No. 9651-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5530. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and

Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing and Designation of Critical Habitat for the Chiricahua Leopard Frog" (RIN1018-AX12), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5531. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Endangered Status, Revised Critical Habitat Designation, and Taxonomic Revision for Monardella linoides ssp. viminea" (RIN1018-AX18), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5532. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terrestrial Environmental Studies for Nuclear Power Stations" (Regulatory Guide 4.11, Revision 2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5533. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, a legislative proposal relative to amending the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5534. A communication from the Acting Director of Human Resources, Office of Human Resources, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5535. A communication from the Acting Director of Human Resources, Office of Human Resources, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5536. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interest on Untimely Paid Vessel Repair Duties" (RIN1515-AD74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 23, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5537. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress on the Implementation of the Medicare Self-Referral Disclosure Protocol"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5538. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Plan to Implement a Home Health Agency Value-Based Purchasing Program"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5539. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of a Danger Pay Allowance for Nigeria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5540. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, certification for the export of defense articles, to include technical data, and defense services related to the export of firearms to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs in the amount of $1,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5541. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revising Standards Referenced in the Acetylene Standard" (RIN1218-AC64), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5542. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Organization and Conforming Changes to Regulations" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0222), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5543. A communication from a Member of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's activities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5544. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-Propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 2-ethylhexyl ester, telomer with 1-dodecanethiol, ethenylbenzene and 2-methyloxirane polymer with oxirane monoether with 1,2-propanediol mono(2-methyl-2-propenoate), hydrogen 2-sulfobutanedioate, sodium salt, 2, 2'-(1,2-diazenediyl)bis[2-methylpropanenitrile]- initiated; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9339-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5545. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acetamiprid; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 9340-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5546. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Threshold for Peer Reviews of Noncompetitive Contracts" ((RIN0750-AH66)(DFARS Case 2012-D018)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5547. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Repeal of Case-by-Case Reporting" ((RIN0750-AH67)(DFARS Case 2012-D020)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5548. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Inflation Adjustment of Threshold for Acquisition of Right-Hand Drive Passenger Sedans" ((RIN0750-AH65)-(DFARS Case 2012-D016)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5549. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Separation of Combined Provisions and Clauses" ((RIN0750-AH38)(DFARS Case 2011-D048)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5550. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to use fiscal year 2010 Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining, and Related Programs (NADR) funds for Global Threat Reduction activities in Libya; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5551. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (7); Amdt. No. 3466" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5552. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (30); Amdt. No. 30829" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5553. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules (4); Amdt. No. 499" (RIN2120-AA63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5554. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BRP-Powertrain GmbH and Co KG Rotax Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0836)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5555. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Creation of a Low Power Radio Service" (MB Docket No. 99-25; FCC 12-28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5556. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Creation of a Low Power Radio Service; Amendment of Service and Eligibility Rules for FM Broadcast Translator Stations" (MB Docket No. 99-25; FCC 12-29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5557. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Report to Congress on the Disclosure of Financial Interest and Recusal Requirements for Regional Fishery Management Councils and Scientific and Statistical Committees; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5558. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs Vehicle Fleet Report on Alternative Fuel Vehicles for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5559. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Board's health and safety activities relating to the Department of Energy's defense nuclear facilities during calendar year 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5560. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Construction Permit Fees" (FRL No. 9654-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5561. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Commonwealth of Kentucky; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9653-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5562. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Determinations of Clean Data for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulate Standard for the Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, Allentown, Johnstown, and Lancaster Nonattainment Areas" (FRL No. 9654-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5563. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Oxides of Nitrogen and Sulfur" (FRL No. 9654-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5564. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's updated Strategic Plan for the period of fiscal year 2008 through fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5565. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement" (RIN1515-AD86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5566. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Tobacco Prevention and Control Activities in the United States, 2008-2009"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5567. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Annual Report on The Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5568. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-321, "Car Wash Employee Overtime Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5569. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-322, "Lottery Amendment Repeal Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5570. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-323, "Moratorium on Establishments Which Permit Nude Dancing Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5571. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of

Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-327, "Workforce Job Development Grant-Making Authority Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5572. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-328, "Board of Elections and Ethics Electoral Process Improvement Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5573. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-329, "Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5574. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-330, "Civil Marriage Dissolution Equality Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5575. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-331, "DDOT Omnibus Conforming Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5576. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-332, "Unemployment Compensation Funds Appropriation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5577. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-333, "Targeted Retirement Distribution Withholding Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5578. A communication from the Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Railroad Retirement Board's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5579. A communication from the Director, Facilities Services Directorate, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Facilities Services Directorate/Pentagon Renovation and Construction Program Office (PENREN) annual report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5580. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Council's 2011 Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5581. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Neurological Devices; Classification of the Near Infrared Brain Hematoma Detector" (Docket No. FDA-2012-M-0206), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5582. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding Between the Food and Drug Administration and Other Departments, Agencies, and Organizations" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0205), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-68. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Michigan memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used solely for the dredging, infrastructure, operation, and maintenance of federally authorized ports, harbors, and waterways; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 97

Whereas, domestic shippers and importers using Great Lakes and coastal ports pay more than a billion dollars per year in federal harbor maintenance taxes. Congress established the tax to fund harbor operation and maintenance, particularly dredging, at these ports; and

Whereas, despite a nearly $6 billion balance in the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, our nation's dredging needs are not being met. Throughout our nation and particularly in the Great Lakes region, the lack of dredging has forced shippers to operate inefficiently and carry lighter loads, costing them millions of dollars each year; and

Whereas, the Obama Administration has only budgeted about half of the revenue collected through the harbor maintenance tax for maintaining our nation's harbors. Last year, nearly $1.5 billion were collected from shippers, but only $758 million has been allocated for dredging harbors in Michigan and other coastal states; and

Whereas, during the current turbulent economic conditions, we must make every effort to support economic activity by maintaining the infrastructure necessary for commerce. Essentially by, using harbor maintenance taxes placed in the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund to finance and balance other portions of the federal budget, we are breaking our promise to the shippers paying the tax and hurting our nation's economic recovery; and

Whereas, current congressional legislation (H.R. 104 and S. 412) would ensure that harbor maintenance taxes are only used for their intended purpose to maintain our nation's harbors; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used solely for the dredging, infrastructure, operation, and maintenance of federally-authorized ports, harbors, and waterways; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

POM-69. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing a request for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the U.S. Constitution which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 87

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the constitution upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states, an "amendments convention"; and

Whereas, the legislature of the state of Louisiana favors the proposal and ratification of an amendment to said constitution which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states. therefore, be it

Resolved, Section 1. That, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the United States, the legislature of the state of Louisiana herewith respectfully applies for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment which shall provide that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate states.

Section 2. That the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the constitution providing that an increase in the federal debt requires approval from a majority of the legislatures of the separate States.

Section 3. This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention.

Section 4. That a certified copy of this application be dispatched by the secretary of state (or other responsible constitutional officer) to the president of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the applicant's delegation to the United States Congress, and to the presiding officers of each house of the several state legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2297. A bill to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-154).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2159. A bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2250. A bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 2251. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, Alaska, as the Robert Boochever United States Courthouse; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2252. A bill to rebuild the American middle class by creating jobs, investing in our future, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 2253. A bill to require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to disclose any financial accounts that are or have been deposited in a country that is a tax haven; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2254. A bill to direct the Attorney General to establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information for the purpose of preventing diversion, fraud, and abuse of controlled substances and other prescription drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 2255. A bill to amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to add Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as a patriotic and National observance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 2256. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. REED):

S. 2257. A bill to increase access to community behavioral health services for all Americans and to improve Medicaid reimbursement for community behavioral health services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. CORKER):

S. 2258. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BURR, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WEBB, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 2259. A bill to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2012, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2260. A bill to allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2261. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to establish a revenue loss assistance program, repeal the direct payment and ACRE programs, extend commodity programs through 2017, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. INOUYE, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2262. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and extend the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome prevention and services program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2263. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to establish the National Program for Arts and Technology Act as a Federal program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 2264. A bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 2265. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to cover screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal cancer screening test under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 2266. A bill to improve sharing of immigration information among Federal, State, and local law enforcement officials, to improve State and local enforcement of immigration laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2267. A bill to reauthorize the Hudson Valley National Heritage Area; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2268. A bill to ensure that all items offered for sale in any gift shop of the National Park Service or of the National Archives and Records Administration are produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 2269. A bill to permit voluntary economic activity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2270. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve energy programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2271. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the time for making S corporation elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2272. A bill to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Mount Denali; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2273. A bill to designate the Talkeetna Ranger Station in Talkeetna, Alaska, as the Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2274. A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a nonprofit corporation to be known as the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2275. A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to establish a grant program within the rural broadband program of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. 2276. A bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE:

S. 2277. A bill to respond to the extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions resulting from pine beetle infestation, drought, disease, or storm damage by declaring a state of emergency and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to immediately implement hazardous fuels reduction projects in the manner provided in title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2278. A bill to provide for an exemption for community banks to certain escrow requirements under the Truth in Lending Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2279. A bill to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2280. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S. 2281. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to strengthen the ability of the Food and Drug Administration to seek advice from external experts regarding rare diseases, the burden of rare diseases, and the unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. VITTER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 2282. A bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2283. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CASEY:

S. Res. 411. A resolution congratulating the Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon on its continued success in support of the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. Res. 412. A resolution commending the African Union for committing to a coordinated military response, comprised of 5,000 troops from Uganda, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and South Sudan, in order to fortify ongoing efforts to arrest Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lord's Resistance Army and to stop the crimes against humanity and mass atrocities committed by them; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. Res. 413. A resolution supporting the designation of April 2012 as National Autism Awareness Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. Res. 414. A resolution commemorating the 125th anniversary of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. Res. 415. A resolution designating April 4, 2012, as "National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. Res. 416. A resolution supporting the designation of April as Parkinson's Awareness Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COONS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. Res. 417. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Health Week; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BURR, Mr. KYL, and Mr. RISCH):

S. Con. Res. 37. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the

United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 38. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. LEE):

S. Con. Res. 39. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 57

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 57, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the application of the tonnage tax on certain vessels.

S. 260

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 260, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation.

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 604

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 604, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 816

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 816, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations, and for other purposes.

S. 1174

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1174, a bill to provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment.

S. 1336

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1336, a bill to prevent immigration fraud and for other purposes.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1479

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1479, a bill to preserve Medicare beneficiary choice by restoring and expanding Medicare open enrollment and disenrollment opportunities.

S. 1597

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1597, a bill to provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary school and secondary school buildings in public school districts and community colleges across the United States in order to support the achievement of improved educational outcomes in those schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1737

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1737, a bill to improve the accuracy of mortgage underwriting used by Federal mortgage agencies by ensuring that energy costs are included in the underwriting process, to reduce the amount of energy consumed by homes, to facilitate the creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs, and for other purposes.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2062

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2062, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes.

S. 2065

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2065, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees.

S. 2072

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY]

was added as a cosponsor of S. 2072, a bill to discourage disincentives to the housing missions of government sponsored enterprises and require consistent putback risks at the enterprises to assist homeowners.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2169

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2169, a bill to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

S. 2245

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 2245, a bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 356

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., to hold a African Affairs Subcommittee hearing entitled, "A Closer Look at Nigeria: Security, Governance, and Trade."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled, "FDA User Fee Agreements: Strengthening FDA and the Medical Products Industry for the Benefit of Patients" on March 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "S. 2219, the "Democracy Is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections Act of 2012 (DISCLOSE Act of 2012)."

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 432 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "The FY 2013 Budget Request for the Small Business Administration."

AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONTRACTING OVERSIGHT

The Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Contracts: How Much Are They Costing the Government?"

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 29, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:50 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5. An act to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

H.R. 1339. An act to designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

At 1:54 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4281. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

At 6:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Bias, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4281. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 1339. To designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Stephanie Dawn Thacker, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no further intervening action or debate; that, following the vote, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order relative to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. REED in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 38) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL) and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2297) to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. LIEBERMAN) to amend the bill, on page 5, after line 6, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 1998).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN FOR ITS STATE-SPONSORED PERSECUTION OF ITS BAHA'I MINORITY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 80) condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. PAUL) to amend the resolution, on page 5, line 4, by striking the words "all available" (being amendment No. 1999).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PEOPLE OF TIBET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 356) expressing support for the people of Tibet.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING VIOLENCE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF SYRIA AGAINST JOURNALISTS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 391) condemning violence by the Government of Syria against journalists, and expressing the sense of the Senate on freedom of the press in Syria.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 395) expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the NATO summit to be held in Chicago, Illinois from May 20 through 21, 2012.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROMOTING PEACE AND STABILITY IN SUDAN

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 397) promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the resolution.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 414) commemorating the 125th anniversary of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. HAGAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JUNIOR AUXILIARIES DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 415) designating April 4, 2012, as "National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day", submitted today by Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. PRYOR), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 416) supporting the designation of April as Parkinson's Awareness Month, submitted today by Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. HUTCHISON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until Monday, April 16, 2012.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 2, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 5, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Monday, April 9, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012; that, on Monday, April 16, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230; that the time until 4:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that the House has agreed to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 38) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, the Senate adjourn as pursuant to the provisions of said concurrent resolution until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate subsequently (on Friday, March 30, 2012) having received a message from the House of Representatives announcing it had agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 38,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:26 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 38, until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012.

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, April 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5) to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, March 29, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on March 30, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives that the House agrees to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 38) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, without amendment.

The message also announced that, pursuant to section 703(c) of the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 (50 U.S.C. 435 note), the Minority Leader reappoints the Honorable David E. Skaggs of Longmont, Colorado, to the Public Interest Declassification Board.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 2284. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide expensing for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2285. A bill to increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. Res. 418. A resolution commending the 80 brave men who became known as the "Doolittle Tokyo Raiders" for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States during the bombing of Tokyo and 5 other targets on the island of Honshu on April 18, 1942, during the Second World War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. LEE):

S. Con. Res. 40. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, supra.

S. 154

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 154, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to support early college high schools and other dual enrollment programs.

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 253

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 253, a bill to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, and to designate memorials to the service of men and women of the United States in World War I.

S. 274

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 274, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand access to medication therapy management services under the Medicare prescription drug program.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 534

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 534, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 658

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 658, a bill to provide for the preservation by the Department of Defense of documentary

evidence of the Department of Defense on incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment in the military, and for other purposes.

S. 958

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 958, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs.

S. 1069

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1069, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1397

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1397, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] and the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1821

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] and the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1821, a bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 1984

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 1984, a bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, supra.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2206

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2206, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary before such individuals receive such assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super

PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2230

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2230, a bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.

S. 2233

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2233, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

S. 2241

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2241, a bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2270

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2270, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve energy programs.

S. 2274

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2274, a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a nonprofit corporation to be known as the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research.

S. 2279

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2279, a bill to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site, and for other purposes.

S. 2280

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2280, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 21, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 400

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 400, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION 413

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 413, a resolution supporting the designation of April 2012 as National Autism Awareness Month.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res 112. Concurrent resolution establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 112. Concurrent resolution establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget, pursuant to section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

H. Con. Res. 112. Concurrent resolution establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to sec. 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 40. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2230) to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session (and after consideration of executive business, involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2230

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, March

29, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2230.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 29, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 51, nays... 45

[Rollcall Vote No. 65 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, on tomorrow, following a period for the transaction of morning business, the Senate proceed to consider the motion to proceed to consider the motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service, was not agreed to; that the motion to proceed be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill, upon reconsideration.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 7:19 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5583. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within account 21 2020 Operation and Maintenance, Army (OMA), during fiscal year 2010 and was assigned Army case number 11-03; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5584. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the fiscal year 2008 and fiscal year 2009 Operation and Maintenance Army Reserve, account 21*2080 and was assigned Army case number 11-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5585. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Account and the Iraq Freedom Fund account during fiscal years 2006 and 2007 and was assigned Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization case number 09-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5586. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative

to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Operations and Maintenance, Army, account 2020 during fiscal year 2010 and was assigned Army case number 11-09; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5587. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Upland Cotton Base Quality" (RIN0560-AI16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5588. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Swap Dealer and Major Swap Participant Recordkeeping, Reporting, and Duties Rules; Futures Commission Merchant and Introducing Broker Conflicts of Interest Rules; and Chief Compliance Officer Rules for Swap Dealers, Major Swap Participants, and Futures Commission Merchants" (RIN3038-AC96), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5589. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acibenzolar-S-methyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9343-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5590. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-Ethyl-1-hexanol; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9342-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5591. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the obligation and expenditure of funds for the implementation of Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) program activities (DCN OSS-2012-0462); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5592. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 11-145, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5593. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of two (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5594. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Paul S. Stanley, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5595. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of three (3) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5596. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System program exceeding the statutory critical growth threshold; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5597. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Program Acquisition Unit Cost and the Average Procurement Unit Cost for the C-130 AMP program exceeding the Acquisition Program Baseline values; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5598. A communication from the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of the Investment Review Board and Investment Management process for Covered Defense Business Systems; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5599. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a pilot program to provide a skill proficiency bonus to members of a Reserve component participating in critical foreign language or cultural studies; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5600. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the National Security Education Program for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5601. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Strategic Materials Protection Board and rare earth elements; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5602. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Cooperative Threat Reduction annual report for fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5603. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011 Accreditation Report for the Armed Forces Retirement Homes in Washington, DC and Gulfport, MS; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5604. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Iran-Related Multilateral Sanctions Regime Efforts" covering the period August 17, 2011 to February 16, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5605. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5606. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5607. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5608. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5609. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Brazil, Japan, and Panama; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5610. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report

relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Brazil and Canada; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5611. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Russia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5612. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to various foreign buyers; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5613. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the acquisition of articles, materials, and supplies manufactured outside of the United States; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5614. A communication from the Executive Director of the Office of Minority and Women Inclusion, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Office of Minority and Women Inclusion Section 342 Annual Report to Congress March 2012"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5615. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemptions for Security-Based Swaps Issued by Certain Clearing Agencies" (RIN3235-AL16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5616. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5617. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Production Measurement Documents Incorporated by Reference" (RIN1014-AA01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5618. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Reliability Organization Proposal for Protection and Control Reliability Standard" (Docket No. RM11-16-000), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5619. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Colorado; Revisions to New Source Review Rules" (FRL No. 9616-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5620. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Colorado; Procedural Rules; Conflicts of Interest" (FRL No. 9640-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5621. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Leisure Properties LLC/D/B/A Crownline Boats; Adjusted Standard" (FRL No. 9648-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5622. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9333-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5623. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Availability of Electric Power Sources" (Regulatory Guide 1.93, Revision 1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5624. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Guide for Verifying Compliance with Packaging Requirements for Shipping and Receiving of Radioactive Material" (Regulatory Guide 7.7, Revision 1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5625. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Water Sources for Long-Term Recirculation Cooling Following a Loss-Of-Coolant Accident" (Regulatory Guide 1.82, Revision 4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5626. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Area, North Dakota and Minnesota flood risk management project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5627. A communication from the Director of Government Relations, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Authority's Statistical Summary for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5628. A communication from the Senior Advisor for Regulations, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Regulations on Black Lung Benefits" (RIN0960-AH48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5629. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labeling Imported Wines with Multistate Appellations" (RIN1513-AB58), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 9, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5630. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Corrections to Customs and Border Protection Regulations: Petitions for Relief" (CBP Dec. 1-07), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on March 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5631. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements" (Announcement 2012-13), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5632. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fractional Aircraft Ownership Programs Fuel Surtax" (Notice 2012-27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5633. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula" (Announcement 2012-10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5634. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Notice 2008-40; Deduction for Energy Efficient Commercial Buildings" (Notice 2012-26), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5635. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Changes to the Medicare Advantage and the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Programs for Contract Year 2013 and Other Changes" (RIN0938-AQ86), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5636. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Office of Inspector General Medicaid Integrity Program Report for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5637. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. support for Taiwan's participation as an observer at the 65th World Health Assembly and in the work of the World Health Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5638. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule of Fees for Consular Services, Department of State and Overseas Embassies and Consulates" (RIN1400-AD06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5639. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the International Labor Organization Recommendation concerning HIV and AIDS and the World of Work (No. 200), adopted by the 99th session of the International Labor Conference at Geneva; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5640. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Jordan for the delivery and support of two CN-235-100 aircraft modified for armed surveillance/light gunship capabilities for end use by the Jordanian Armed Forces in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5641. A communication from the Presiding Governor, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S.-funded international broadcasting efforts in Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5642. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Immunology and Microbiology Devices; Classification of Norovirus Serological Reagents" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0165), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5643. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Current Good Manufacturing Practice in Manufacturing, Processing, Packing, or Holding of Drugs; Revision of Certain Labeling Controls" (Docket No. FDA-1997-N-0518), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 29, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5644. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Cardiovascular Devices; Classification of the Endovascular Suturing System" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0091), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5645. A communication from the Chairman of the National Healthcare Workforce Commission, transmitting, a report relative to the status of the Commission; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5646. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "State High Risk Pool Grant Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2010"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5647. A communication from the Ombudsman, Energy Employees Compensation Program, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5648. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5649. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5650. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Transportation's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation

Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5651. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5652. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Peace Corps' fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5653. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5654. A communication from the Diversity and Inclusion Programs Director, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5655. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5656. A communication from the Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report on the Federal Work Force" for fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5657. A communication from the General Counsel, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5658. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Proliferation Security Initiative; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5659. A communication from the Chief Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to activities carried out by the Family Court during 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5660. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals through the 1st Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5661. A joint communication from the Chairman and the Acting General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Buy American Act Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5662. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-335 "Mechanics Lien Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5663. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-336 "Green Building Compliance, Technical Corrections, and Clarification Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5664. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-334 "Comprehensive Military and Overseas Voters Accommodation Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5665. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Proliferation Security Initiative budget plan and review for fiscal years 2013-2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5666. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Wisconsin Ledge Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB82), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 9, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5667. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2011 Freedom of Information Act Litigation and Compliance Report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5668. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Jobs Act: Implementation of Conforming and Technical Amendments" (RIN3245-AG15), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5669. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Professional, Technical, and Scientific Services" (RIN3245-AG07), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-5670. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast (NE) Multispecies Fishery; Amendment 17" (RIN0648-BB34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5671. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 Meters) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line or Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB024), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5672. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Annual Catch Limit Amendment for the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-AY73), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to

the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5673. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Gulf of Alaska; Final 2012 and 2013 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish" (RIN0648-XA711), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5674. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5675. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Highly Migratory Species Fisheries; Swordfish Retention Limits" (RIN0648-BA87), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5676. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Chinook Salmon Bycatch Management in the Bering Sea Pollock Fishery; Economic Data Collection; Correction" (RIN0648-BA80), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5677. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB100), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5678. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish Managed Under the Individual Fishing Quota Program" (RIN0648-XB039), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5679. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Jig Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB070), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5680. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XB026), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5681. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Trip Limit Adjustments for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XB059), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5682. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB077), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5683. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB102), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5684. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB111), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5685. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Greater Than or Equal to 50 Feet (15.2 Meters) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB112), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5686. A communication from the Chief of Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Unlicensed Personal Communications Service Devices in the 1920-1930 MHz Band" (ET Docket No. 10-97; FCC 12-33), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5687. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Waybill Data Released in Three-Benchmark Rail Rate Proceedings" (RIN2140-AB01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5688. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (234); Amdt. No. 3469" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5689. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the apportionment of membership on the regional fishery management councils; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5690. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's 50th Annual Report of the activities of the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 2286. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2287. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 2288. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 2289. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to pediatric provisions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 2290. A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, to reimburse States and units of local government for expenses incurred by the States and units of local government in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating water projects under the jurisdiction of the International Boundary and Water Commission; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. HELLER):

S. 2291. A bill to provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. COBURN):

S. 2292. A bill to promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness at the Food and Drug Administration for America's patients; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 419. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. Res. 420. A resolution designating April 5, 2012, as "Gold Star Wives Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COONS, and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Res. 421. A resolution designating April 20 through 22, 2012, as "Global Youth Service Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

S. Res. 422. A resolution commending and congratulating the University of Kentucky men's basketball team for winning its eighth Division I National Collegiate Athletic Association championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. Res. 423. A resolution congratulating Western Washington University for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Men's Basketball Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SESSIONS:

S. Con. Res. 41. A concurrent resolution setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 309

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 309, a bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Moldova.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, supra.

S. 714

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 714, a bill to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and for other purposes.

S. 797

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 797, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 821, a bill to

amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 967

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 967, a bill to establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers, and for other purposes.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1368

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1368, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1980

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1980, a bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2062

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2062, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2174

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2174, a bill to exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards, and for other purposes.

S. 2237

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2237, a bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

S. 2242

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2242, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2274

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2274, a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a nonprofit corporation to be known as the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research.

S. 2276

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2276, a bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony

and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

SENATE RESOLUTION 406

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 406, a resolution commending the achievements and recognizing the importance of the Alliance to Save Energy on the 35th anniversary of the incorporation of the Alliance.

SENATE RESOLUTION 418

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 418, a resolution commending the 80 brave men who became known as the "Doolittle Tokyo Raiders" for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States during the bombing of Tokyo and 5 other targets on the island of Honshu on April 18, 1942, during the Second World War.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Export-Import Bank Reauthorization: Saving American Jobs and Supporting American Exporters."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONTRACTING OVERSIGHT

The Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "The Comprehensive Contingency Contracting Reform Act of 2012 (S. 2139)."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

The Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Review of Mercury Pollution's Impacts to Public Health and the Environment."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVENESS, INNOVATION, AND EXPORT PROMOTION

The Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a meeting during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Promoting American Competitiveness: Filling Jobs Today and Training Workers for Tomorrow."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 17, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on April 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Ending Racial Profiling in America."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3001. An act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

H.R. 4040. An act to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 4040. An act to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolutions were discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to sec. 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 37. Concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

S. Con. Res. 41. Concurrent resolution setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1789

The hour of 11 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 22, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

A motion to proceed to consider the motion, entered by Mr. REID on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill, was considered made, and agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to reconsider.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion to reconsider was agreed to.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, March 22, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, March 22, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 74, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 66 Leg.]

YEAS --- 74

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Baucus, Burr, Cardin, Chambliss, Coburn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Heller, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Manchin, McCain, Mikulski, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter.

So, upon reconsideration, the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:45 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1789

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1789.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, on the pending motion to proceed be concluded; and that the motion be agreed to.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the only amendments in order to be proposed to bill S. 1789, or to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), be relevant to the bill or amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

Mr. PAUL objected.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that 20 amendments, relevant to the bill, be in order to be proposed.

Mr. PAUL objected.

21ST CENTURY POSTAL SERVICE ACT

The motion to proceed having been agreed to,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

Mr. REID withdrew the pending reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2000, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2013).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment at the appropriate place, by striking "7 days" and inserting "6 days" (being amendment No. 2014).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute); which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 1789:

HARRY REID, J. LIEBERMAN, SHERROD BROWN, DEBBIE STABENOW, TOM CARPER, BERNARD SANDERS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, BILL NELSON, CHRIS COONS, S. WHITEHOUSE, KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND, CHUCK SCHUMER, JACK REED, JOHN KERRY, D.K. INOUYE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2015).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "5 days" and inserting "4 days" (being amendment No. 2016).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 1789:

HARRY REID, J. LIEBERMAN, SHERROD BROWN, DEBBIE STABENOW, TOM CARPER, BERNARD SANDERS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, BILL NELSON, CHRIS COONS, S. WHITEHOUSE, KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND, CHUCK SCHUMER, JACK REED, JOHN KERRY, D.K. INOUYE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL.

On motion by Mr. REID to recommit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2017).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2017) contained in the pending motion to recommit, at the appropriate place, by striking "3 days" and inserting "2 days" (being amendment No. 2018).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by striking "2 days" and inserting "1 day" (being amendment No. 2019).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2019 to amendment No. 2018 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2017) contained in the pending motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to

reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 1789 be modified; and that the motion to bring to a close debate, presented on said amendment, be considered presented on the amendment, as thus modified.

DESIGNATING "GOLD STAR WIVES DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 420) designating April 5, 2012, as "Gold Star Wives Day", submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 421) designating April 20 through 22, 2012, as "Global Youth Service Day", submitted today by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COONS, and Mr. MARK UDALL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 422) commending and congratulating the University of Kentucky men's basketball team for winning its eighth Division I National Collegiate Athletic Association championship, submitted today by Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 423) congratulating Western Washington University for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Men's Basketball Championship, submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925; that the first hour thereon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:49 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 18, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on yesterday, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5691. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Silicic Acid, Sodium Salt etc; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9333-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5692. A communication from the Manager of the BioPreferred Program, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Product Categories for Federal Procurement" (RIN0599-AA14), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5693. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Customer Clearing Documentation, Timing of Acceptance for Clearing, and Clearing Member Risk Management" (RIN3038-0092, -0094), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5694. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Ann E. Rondeau, United States Navy, and her advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5695. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John E. Sterling, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5696. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5697. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to whether providing an annual allowance would increase the use of preventive health services among members of the Armed Forces and their family members; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5698. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to clinical quality management in the Military Health System; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5699. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Department of Defense Evaluation of the TRICARE Program: Access, Cost and Quality Fiscal Year (FY) 2012"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5700. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Logistics and Material Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to core depot-level maintenance and repair capability requirements and sustaining workloads; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5701. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the training of the U.S. Special Operations Forces with friendly foreign forces during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5702. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle (EELV) program and program baseline estimates; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5703. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule; Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5704. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5705. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5706. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5707. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons on the Entity List: Addition of Persons Acting Contrary to the National Security or Foreign Policy Interests of the United States" (RIN0694-AF43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5708. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5709. A communication from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 management reports; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5710. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5711. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 12, 2012; to

the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5712. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to obligations and unobligated balances of funds provided for Federal-aid highway and safety construction programs during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5713. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991" (CG Docket No. 02-278), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5714. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR): Export Control Classification Number 0Y521 Series, Items Not Elsewhere Listed on the Commerce Control List (CCL)" (RIN0694-AF17), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5715. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Interim Action" (RIN0648-BB89), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5716. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual Implementation Report on Energy Conservation Standards Activities of the Department of Energy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5717. A communication from the Director of the Sustainability Performance Office, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department's Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Acquisition Report for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5718. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of the Little Calumet River, Indiana, Local Flood Control and Recreation Project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5719. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; South Dakota; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9658-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5720. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Amendments to the Handling, Storage, and Disposal of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions; Automobile and Light-Duty Truck Coating Operations; Paper Coating; Coating of Flat Wood Paneling; Graphic Art Systems; and Industrial Cleaning Solvents" (FRL No. 9657-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5721. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; Missouri: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule; New Source Review Reform" (FRL No. 9657-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5722. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Waste Technical Corrections and Clarifications Rule" (FRL No. 9659-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5723. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Small Container Exemption from VOC Coating Rules" (FRL No. 9651-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5724. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9652-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5725. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units and Standards of Performance for Fossil-Fuel-Fired Electric Utility, Industrial-Commercial-Institutional, and Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units; Correction" (FRL No. 9654-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5726. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Implementation Plans; Kentucky; Attainment Plan for the Kentucky Portion of the Huntington-Ashland 1997 Annual PM2.5 Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9657-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5727. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Northern Sierra and Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9659-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5728. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Arizona State Implementation Plan, Pinal County Air Quality District" (FRL No. 9639-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April

11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5729. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5730. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nonconventional Source Fuel Credit, 2011 Section 45K Inflation Adjustment Factor and Section 45K Reference Price" (Notice 2012-30), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5731. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alan Baer Revocable Trust v. United States" (AOD 2012-04), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 10, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5732. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, a report relative to extending the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bolivia Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Categories of Archaeological Material; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5733. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress: Plan to Reform the Medicare Wage Index"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5734. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0037 - 2012-0041); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5735. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the waiver of the restrictions contained in Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act of 1992; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5736. A communication from the Director of the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Examinations of Work Areas in Underground Coal Mines for Violations of Mandatory Health or Safety Standards" (RIN1219-AB75), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5737. A communication from the General Counsel, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, General Services Administration, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 12, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5738. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's decision to enter into a contract with a private security screening company to provide screening services at Greater Rochester International Airport, Rochester, NY, Tupelo Regional Airport, Tupelo, MS and Key West International Airport, Key West, FL; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5739. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Certified Business Enterprise Expenditures of Public-Private Development Construction Projects for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5740. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inmate Communication with News Media: Removal of Byline Regulations" (RIN1120-AB49), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-70. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona urging Congress to adopt the measures and policies contained in the Save Arizona's Forest Environment (SAFE) Plan and provide for a temporary emergency suspension of the requirement to perform National Environmental Policy Act studies; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 1001

To the Congress of the United States of America:

Your memorialist respectfully represents:

Whereas, the State of Arizona, its citizens and its communities have drastically suffered from catastrophic wildfires that devastated more than 850,000 acres of wildlife habitat, watersheds, timber, livestock forage and private property; and

Whereas, the water and air pollution from these catastrophic wildfires have negatively impacted human health and have endangered species and the human environment; and

Whereas, millions more acres of Arizona's forest lands face the threat of future catastrophic wildfires.

Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress adopt the measures and policies contained in the Save Arizona's Forest Environment (SAFE) Plan and provide for a temporary emergency suspension of the requirement to perform National Environment Policy Act studies on forest thinning and timber and forage management activities in Arizona's forest lands that have suffered from or are threatened by future catastrophic wildfires.

2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit a copy of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-71. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona urging Congress to adequately fund the United States Forest Service in order to properly manage forests and grasslands and prohibit the Forest Service from acquiring and managing additional lands until the Forest Service demonstrates its ability to properly manage and protect forests; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 1003

To the Congress of the United States of America:

Your memorialist respectfully represents:

Whereas, the United States Congress established the United States Forest Service in 1905 to provide quality water and timber for the nation's benefit; and

Whereas, over the years, the United States Congress has directed the United States Forest Service to manage more national forests and grasslands; and

Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget increased funding for land acquisition by $26,360,000; and

Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget reduced funding for the Wildland Fire Management by $396,675,000; and

Whereas, the President's fiscal year 2012 budget reduced budgeting for the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund by $97,114,000; and

Whereas, in 2011, the total number of acres consumed by wildland fires on Arizona lands that are managed by the United States Forest Service was 878,540 out of the total of 981,189 acres that were burned in Arizona that year; and

Whereas, the United States Forest Service has existed for more than 100 years with the express purpose of managing public forests and grasslands; and

Whereas, the mission of the United States Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grassland.

Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress adequately fund the United States Forest Service in order to properly manage forests and grasslands.

2. That the United States Congress prohibit the United States Forest Service from acquiring and managing additional lands until the Forest Service demonstrates its ability to properly manage and protect forests.

3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the Chief of the United States Forest Service, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-72. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona urging Congress to enact legislation making monies collected under the federal gas tax immediately available to the individual states to fund their transportation needs; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 2004

To the Congress of the United States and the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation:

Your memorialist respectfully represents:

Whereas, the United States Department of Transportation was established by an act of Congress on October 15, 1966, and the department's first official day of operation was April 1, 1967; and

Whereas, the mission of the department is to "serve the United States by ensuring a fast, safe, efficient, accessible and convenient transportation system that meets our vital national interests and enhances the quality of life of the American people, today and into the future"; and

Whereas, the main mission of the department has largely been fulfilled by the completion of the federal interstate highway system; and

Whereas, state and local governments are faced with difficult decisions regarding local transportation needs on a continuing and ever-increasing basis; and

Whereas, the federal motor fuel taxes charged to the citizens of Arizona are needlessly sent to the federal government before being returned to the state government; and

Whereas, federal restrictions, mandates and spending requirements prevent the citizens of Arizona from setting their own transportation priorities.

Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the Senate concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress enact legislation making monies collected under the federal gas tax immediately available to the individual states to fund their transportation needs.

2. That the United States Congress enact legislation to cease the collection of motor fuel taxes in Arizona so that this state can collect and distribute the taxes without the delay caused by federal collection and disbursement.

3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-73. A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of New Mexico requesting a Congressional resolution requesting the United States postal service issue a commemorative stamp honoring the sesquicentennial anniversary of the battle of Glorieta pass in New Mexico and recognizing the importance of the battle; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL

Whereas, in January 1862, confederate General Henry Hopkins Sibley, with a brigade of two thousand six hundred Texans, invaded the territory of New Mexico with the intention of claiming the territory and the west for the confederacy; and

Whereas, the volunteers of the Texas confederate forces were victorious in defeating the union forces at the battle of Valverde on February 21, 1862, and shortly afterwards, on February 25, 1862, they captured Socorro, and on March 7, 1862, Albuquerque was captured; and

Whereas, the confederate forces captured Santa Fe on March 10, 1862, the capital having been moved earlier by the New Mexico territorial governor, the honorable Henry Connelly, to Las Vegas, New Mexico; and

Whereas, following these battlefield successes, the Texas confederate forces planned to conquer Fort Union and then march to Colorado to take over the mines located there; and

Whereas, from there, the forces intended to form an alliance with the Mormons and together take over the gold fields of California, which would have provided much needed capital for the confederacy; and

Whereas, the conquest of California would have additionally provided two sorely needed ports, free of union blockades; and

Whereas, the fulfillment of their plans would have severed the western territories from the Union and strengthened the position of the confederacy; and

Whereas, they next planned to take over the Mexican states of lower California, Sonora and Chihuahua, which had the potential to gain much needed recognition by foreign countries; and

Whereas, the Texas confederate forces were met in a skirmish and fought two battles with the union forces at Glorieta Pass on March 26 to 28, 1862; and

Whereas, even though the confederate forces were victorious in these two battles, they were forced to abandon their dream of taking over Fort Union and conquering the west when their supply of sixty to eighty wagons, loaded with weapons, medical supplies, food and blankets, was burned and four hundred mules and horses were captured by a contingent of United States regular army forces from Fort Union and volunteers from Colorado and New Mexico; and

Whereas, after this tremendous loss, the confederate Texans had no other choice but to abandon General Sibley's dream and retreat back to Santa Fe, then to Albuquerque and eventually out of New Mexico and back to Texas; and

Whereas, this turning point in the confederate campaign in New Mexico, the "battle of Glorieta pass", is referred to by some historians as "the Gettysburg of the west"; and

Whereas, although the loss of men killed, wounded or missing in the Civil War battles fought in New Mexico may seem insignificant compared to the carnage of the Civil War battles that were fought in the east and south, the importance and significance of this battle cannot be overstated, as the ultimate outcome helped hold the union together and assured its survival in what we now know as the United States of America; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the legislature of the State of New Mexico, That the New Mexico congressional delegation be requested to introduce a congressional resolution

requesting the United States postal service to issue a commemorative stamp honoring the sesquicentennial anniversary of the battle of Glorieta pass in New Mexico and recognizing the importance of the battle of Glorieta pass; and be it further

Resolved, that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the president of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the members of the New Mexico Congressional delegation, the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior, the Postmaster General of the United States Postal Service and the nonprofit organization, the friends of the Pecos National Historical Park.

POM-74. A resolution adopted by the Lauderdale Lakes City Commission, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida urging the public condemnation of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria and renouncing all genocidal regimes and the use of genocidal methods on civilian populations, including women, children and the elderly, in order to retain dictatorial power against repeated cries for freedom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

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

S. 2293. A bill to establish a national, toll-free telephone parent helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2294. A bill to provide for continued conservation efforts in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, increase energy production from animal waste, improve transparency of Federal restoration efforts, and expand agricultural opportunities to participate in State voluntary water quality credit trading programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 2295. A bill to permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings with respect to such drugs in the same manner that the Food and Drug Administration allows brand names to do so; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2296. A bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2297. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2298. A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2299. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of civil relief to members of the uniformed services and to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of such members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 2300. A bill to allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the Cross State Air Pollution Rule; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. KYL, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. Res. 424. A resolution condemning the mass atrocities committed by the Government of Syria and supporting the right of the people of Syria to be safe and to defend themselves; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. Res. 425. A resolution designating April 23, 2012, as "National Adopt a Library Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 426. A resolution congratulating the Lady Bears of Baylor University on winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Basketball Championship; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 714

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 714, a bill to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and for other purposes.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 881

At the request of Mr. VITTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 941

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 941, a bill to strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1316

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1316, a bill to prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending.

S. 1575

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1575, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator

from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1833

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1833, a bill to provide additional time for compliance with, and coordinating of, the compliance schedules for certain rules of the Environmental Protection Agency.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2120

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2120, a bill to require the lender or servicer of a home mortgage upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2172

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2230

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2230, a bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.

S. 2270

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2270, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve energy programs.

S. 2277

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2277, a bill to respond to the extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions resulting from pine beetle infestation, drought, disease, or storm damage by declaring a state of emergency and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to immediately implement hazardous fuels reduction projects in the manner provided in title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 38, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 418

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 418, a resolution commending the 80 brave men who became known as the "Doolittle Tokyo Raiders" for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States during the bombing of Tokyo and 5 other targets on the island of Honshu on April 18, 1942, during the Second World War.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Oversight Hearing on the General Services Administration (GSA)."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a briefing entitled "Intelligence Update on Iran and Syria."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., to hold an African Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled "Examining the U.S. Policy Response to Entrenched African Leadership."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Effective Strategies for Accelerated Learning" on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations to the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 432 of the Russell Senate Office building to conduct a roundtable entitled "Perspectives from the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem: Creating Jobs and Growing Businesses through Entrepreneurship."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE, CUSTOMS AND GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness of the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Asia Pacific: Trade Opportunities for Agriculture and Food Producers from the Great Plains to the Pacific Northwest."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

The Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Protecting Commuters: Ensuring Accountability and Oversight in Tolling."

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 18, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled: "The Future of Long-Term Care: Saving Money by Service Seniors."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1815. An act to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

H.R. 4089. An act to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 1815. An act to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

COMMENDING THE ALLIANCE TO SAVE ENERGY ON ITS 35TH ANNIVERSARY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 406) commending the achievements and recognizing the importance of the Alliance to Save Energy on the 35th anniversary of the incorporation of the Alliance.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL ADOPT A LIBRARY DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 425) designating April 23, 2012, as "National Adopt a Library Day", submitted today by Mr. WEBB (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, and Mr. COCHRAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE BAYLOR UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 426) congratulating the Lady Bears of Baylor University on winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Basketball Championship, submitted today by Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second degree amendments until 11 a.m. on tomorrow; and that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, and on the bill, at 2:15 p.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:37 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend Rebecca Spencer, Senior Pastor, Central Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Providence, Rhode Island, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the votes on the question of agreeing to motions to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2000, as modified, to the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service, and on the bill, ordered to occur at 2:15 p.m. on today, instead occur at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the motions to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, and on bill S. 1789, be withdrawn; that the pending motion to recommit with instructions be withdrawn (taking with it amendments Numbered 2018 and 2019 thereto); that amendments Numbered 2013 and 2015 be withdrawn (taking with them amendments Numbered 2014 and 2016 thereto); that the following be the only amendments in order to be proposed to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified; and that amendments Numbered 2034 and 2071 be modified:

Amendment No. 2001, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;

Amendment No. 2056, intended to be proposed by Mr. TESTER;

Amendment No. 2060, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

Amendment No. 2033, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;

Amendment No. 2020, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN);

Amendment No. 2058, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

Amendment No. 2031, intended to be proposed by Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Mr. MERKLEY);

Amendment No. 2061, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

Amendment No. 2080, intended to be proposed by Ms. SNOWE;

Amendment No. 2043, intended to be proposed by Mr. TOM UDALL;

Amendment No. 2082, intended to be proposed by Mr. DURBIN;

Amendment No. 2034, intended to be proposed by Mr. AKAKA, as modified;

Amendment No. 2047, intended to be proposed by Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. BLUNT);

Amendment No. 2083, intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER;

Amendment No. 2003, intended to be proposed by Ms. MIKULSKI;

Amendment No. 2049, intended to be proposed by Mr. AKAKA;

Amendment No. 2025, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2079, intended to be proposed by Mr. MANCHIN;

Amendment No. 2026, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2076, intended to be proposed by Mr. BINGAMAN;

Amendment No. 2027, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2040, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN;

Amendment No. 2028, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2065, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARPER;

Amendment No. 2029, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2066, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARPER;

Amendment No. 2039, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2042, intended to be proposed by Mr. CASEY;

Amendment No. 2038, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

Amendment No. 2072, intended to be proposed by Ms. LANDRIEU;

Amendment No. 2046, intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT;

Amendment No. 2030, intended to be proposed by Mrs. MCCASKILL;

Amendment No. 2059, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

Amendment No. 2036, intended to be proposed by Mr. PRYOR;

Amendment No. 2073, intended to be proposed by Mr. ROCKEFELLER;

Amendment No. 2074, intended to be proposed by Mr. ROCKEFELLER;

Amendment No. 2050, intended to be proposed by Mr. SCHUMER;

Amendment No. 2032, intended to be proposed by Mr. TESTER; and

Amendment No. 2071, intended to be proposed by Mr. WARNER, as modified.

Ordered further, That on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate prior to each vote; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that each amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that no other amendment be in order to the bill, amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, or amendments; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; and that no other point of order be in order.

Ordered further, That, upon disposition of the amendments, the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, and as may be amended, be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended; and that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass.

ORDER RELATIVE TO JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 36

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 2 p.m., on Monday, April 23, 2012, the minority leader, or his designee, be recognized to move to proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 36) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures; that there be four hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between the leaders, or their designees; that the time from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., on Monday next, be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees; that the time from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday next be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees; that, at 2:15 p.m.

on Tuesday next, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to proceed; that, if said motion is agreed to, statutory time for debate on the joint resolution be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution; and that statutory provisions relative to consideration of the joint resolution remain in effect.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

2012 NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY -- PM 46

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit the 2012 *National Drug Control Strategy*, which follows through on the commitment made by my Administration to chart a new course in our efforts to reduce illicit drug use and its consequences in the United States. The balanced approach outlined in the Administration's inaugural *National Drug Control Strategy* has yielded significant results, which are detailed in the following pages.

Our Nation still faces serious drug-related challenges, however. Too many Americans need treatment for substance use disorders but do not receive it. Prescription drug abuse continues to claim American lives, and those who take drugs and drive threaten safety on our Nation's roadways. Young people's perceptions of the risks of drug use have declined over the past decade, and research suggests that this often predicts future increases in drug use. There is still much left to do to reform our justice system and break the cycle of drug use and crime. Our commitment to work with partner nations must remain steadfast to reduce drug production, trafficking, and related transnational threats.

Based upon the progress we have achieved over the past three years, I am confident we can address these challenges through concerted action along the entire spectrum of prevention, early intervention, treatment, recovery support, criminal justice reform, law enforcement, and international cooperation. However, we must match our commitment with the appropriate resources.

Illicit drug use in America contributed to an estimated $193 billion in crime, health, and lost productivity costs in 2007, the year for which the most recent estimate is available. In today's challenging economic environment, we cannot afford such a drain on our economy and public resources. While difficult budget decisions must be made at all levels of government, we must ensure continued support for policies and programs that reduce drug use and its enormous costs to American society. In doing so, we will not only strengthen our economy but also sustain the national character and spirit that has made the United States a world leader.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Congress and Federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial leaders, international partners, and the American people in this important endeavor.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *April 19, 2012*.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5741. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Asian Longhorned Beetle; Additions to Quarantined Areas in Massachusetts" (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0128), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5742. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Clementines From Spain; Amendment to Inspection Provisions" (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0036), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5743. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Pomegranates From Chile Under a Systems Approach" (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0024), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5744. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Fresh Pitaya Fruit From Central America Into the Continental United States" (Docket No. APHIS-2010-0113), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5745. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Sections 642 and 643 (Income Ordering Rules)" ((RIN1545-BH66)(TD 9582)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5746. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 267(f); Deferral of Loss on Transactions Between Members of a Controlled Group" ((RIN1545-BI92)(TD 9583)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5747. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Malaysia for the assembly, test and production of the Colt M4 carbine in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5748. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-343 "Tenant Security Deposits Clarification Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5749. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-344 "South Capitol Street Memorial Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5750. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to

law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules Governing Hearings Before the Agency of Original Jurisdiction and the Board of Veterans' Appeals; Repeal of Prior Rule Change" (RIN2900-AO43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5751. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payment or Reimbursement for Emergency Services for Nonservice-Connected Conditions in Non-VA Facilities" (RIN2900-AN86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5752. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed change by the Navy Reserve to the Fiscal Year 2011 National Guard and Reserve Equipment Appropriation (NGREA) procurement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5753. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5754. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Karnal Bunt; Regulated Areas in California" (Docket No. APHIS-2011-0074), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5755. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Golden Nematode; Removal of Regulated Areas" (Docket No. APHIS-2011-0036), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5756. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Forest System Land Management Planning" (RIN0596-AD02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5757. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quizalofop Ethyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9340-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 743. A bill to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-155).

By Mr. INOUYE, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013." (Rept. No. 112-156).

By Mrs. MURRAY, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 2322. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-157).

By Ms. MIKULSKI, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 2323. An original bill making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-158).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2301. A bill to help prevent the occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by providing sufficient information to consumers regarding the health risks associated with the use of such devices; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 2302. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. KIRK):

S. 2303. A bill to require rulemaking by the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. MIKULSKI:

S. 2304. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2305. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded hair of Kashmir (cashmere) goats, of yarn count less than 19.35 metric, not put up for retail sale; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2306. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on fine animal hair of Kashmir (cashmere) goats, processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2307. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded cashmere of 19.35 metric yarn count or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2308. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of combed cashmere or yarn of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2309. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, carded or combed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2310. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on woven fabrics containing 85 percent or more by weight of vicuna hair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2311. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on waste of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2312. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2313. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2314. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on noils of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2315. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2316. A bill to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at the Cape Cod National Seashore as the "Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 2317. A bill to compel the Secretary of the Army to complete the Great Lakes Mississippi River Interbasin Study within 18 months and to focus particular attention on the permanent prevention of the spread of aquatic nuisance species between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basins; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 2318. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2319. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to modernize the integrated public alert and warning system of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. AYOTTE (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 2320. A bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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

S. 2321. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the programs and activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to Tourette syndrome; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2322. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. MIKULSKI:

S. 2323. An original bill making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 2324. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Neches River in the State of Texas for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic River System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. KIRK):

S. 2325. A bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 2326. A bill to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the "Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 2327. A bill to prohibit direct foreign assistance to the Government of Egypt until the President makes certain certifications related to treatment of nongovernmental organization workers, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. Res. 427. A resolution to prevent the creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs; to the Committee on Rules and Administration

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KIRK, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COATS, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 428. A resolution condemning the Government of Syria for crimes against humanity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. Res. 429. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. TESTER):

S. Res. 430. A resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of the founding of Ducks Unlimited, Incorporated, the achievements of the organization in habitat conservation, and the support of the organization for the waterfowling heritage of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. Res. 431. A resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 91

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 91, a bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and unborn human person.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 434

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 891

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 891, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act

to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1534

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1534, a bill to prevent identity theft and tax fraud.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1773

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1773, a bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1850

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1850, a bill to expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes.

S. 1919

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1919, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for transporting minors in foreign commerce for the purposes of female genital mutilation.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2139

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2139, a bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes.

S. 2146

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2146, a bill to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation, and for other purposes.

S. 2160

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2185

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2185, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to award grants on a competitive basis to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents.

S. 2255

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2255, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to add Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as a patriotic and National observance.

S. 2295

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2295, a bill to permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings with respect to such drugs in the same manner that the Food and Drug Administration allows brand names to do so.

S. 2296

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2296, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 400

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 400, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MANCHIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Syria: U.S. Policy Options."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 19, 2012, in room SD-628 of

the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "S. 1684, the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2011."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Time Takes Its Toll: Delays in OSHA's Standard-Setting Process and the Impact on Worker Safety" on April 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

The Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:37 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2453. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

H.R. 4348. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 2453. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

JOINT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), the following joint resolution was discharged by petition from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and placed on the Calendar:

S.J. Res. 36. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, April 23, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Brian C. Wimes, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1021) to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. COONS) to amend the bill by striking section 3 and adding other words (being amendment No. 2084).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF DUCKS UNLIMITED

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 430) recognizing the 75th anniversary of the founding of Ducks Unlimited, Incorporated, the achievements of the organization in habitat conservation, and the support of the organization for the waterfowling heritage of the United States, submitted today by Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. TESTER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on Monday, April 23, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

Ordered further, That, at 2 p.m., the minority leader, or his designee, be recognized to move to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 36, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, at 4 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 1789

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the order of today relative to consideration of bill S. 1789 be modified such that it not be in order for amendment No. 2034 to be modified.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2327) to prohibit direct foreign assistance to the Government of Egypt until the President makes certain certifications related to treatment of nongovernmental organization workers, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. PAUL, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 8:16 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 12 noon on Monday, April 23, 2012.

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2012

Mr. CARL LEVIN, from the State of Michigan, called the Senate to order at 12 noon, the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. LEVIN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, April 23, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CARL LEVIN, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEVIN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2327) to prohibit direct foreign assistance to the Government of Egypt until the President makes certain certifications related to treatment of nongovernmental organization workers, and for other purposes, introduced on Thursday, April 19, 2012 by Mr. PAUL, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. LIEBERMAN objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 36

The hour of 2 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. ENZI that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 36) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

Time for debate having concluded,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, upon disposition of the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service, but not before Wednesday, April 25, 2012, the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925 be agreed to.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5758. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reintegration of Security into the Reactor Oversight Process Assessment Program" (Regulatory Issue Summary 2012-XX), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5759. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened

Species; Range Extension for Endangered Central California Coast Coho Salmon" (RIN0648-XV30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5760. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; North Carolina; Annual Emissions Reporting" (FRL No. 9662-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5761. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama: Removal of State Low-Reid Vapor Pressure Requirement for the Birmingham Area" (FRL No. 9662-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5762. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Reporting for Facilities Located in Indian Country and Clarification of Additional Opportunities Available to Tribal Governments under the TRI Program" (FRL No. 9660-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5763. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change of Address for Region 4, State and Local Agencies; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9660-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5764. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Atlanta; Ozone 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9662-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5765. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9663-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5766. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Hawaii State Implementation Plan, Minor New Source Review Program" (FRL No. 9661-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5767. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5768. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Millennium Challenge Corporations activities during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5769. A communication from the Solicitor of Labor, Office of the Solicitor, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act and Related Statutes" (RIN1290-AA25), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5770. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazard Communication" (RIN1218-AC20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5771. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Justification and Approval of Sole-Source 8(a) Contracts" (RIN9000-AL55), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5772. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Representation Regarding Export of Sensitive Technology to Iran" (RIN9000-AL91), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5773. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments" (FAC 2005-58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5774. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5775. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Biobased Procurements" (RIN9000-AM03), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5776. A communication from the Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-58, Introduction" (FAC 2005-58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5777. A communication from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to mileage reimbursement rates for Federal employees who use privately owned vehicles while on official travel; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5778. A communication from the Chief Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer, Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemption of Privacy Act System of Records of the Department-wide notice: 'Debt Collection Enforcement System, (DCES), DOJ-016'" (CPCLO Order No. 009-2012), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5779. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, proposed legislation to harmonize security threat assessment procedures applicable to transportation worker populations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5780. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, proposed legislation to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5781. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "United States Department of Transportation 2012 Report to Congress on Intelligent Transportation Systems Program Advisory Committee Recommendations"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5782. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Locomotive Safety Standards Amendments" (RIN2130-AC16), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5783. A communication from the Associate Bureau Chief for Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "The Proposed Extension of Part 4 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Outage Reporting To Interconnected Voice Over Internet Protocol Service Providers and Broadband Internet Service Providers" (PS Docket No. 11-82), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5784. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; and Universal Service Reform - Mobility Fund" (WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109; GN Docket No. 09-51; CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45; WT Docket No. 10-208, DA 12-298), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5785. A communication from the Chief of the Border Securities Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendment to Cuba Airport List: Addition of Recently Approved Airports" (CBP Dec. 12-08), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5786. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Packages Intended for Transport by Aircraft" (RIN2137-AE32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5787. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company (GE) Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0982)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2328. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on 4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2329. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain direct injection fuel injectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2330. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain hybrid electric vehicle inverters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2331. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on stator/rotor parts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2332. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain power electronic boxes and static converter composite units; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2333. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain motor generator units; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2334. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on lithium ion electrical storage batteries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2335. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain high pressure fuel pumps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2336. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 2337. A bill to require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2338. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 434

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement

property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 738

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 975

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 975, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of physical therapists in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, and for other purposes.

S. 1069

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1069, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2051

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2051, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2248

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2248, a bill to clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State.

S. 2293

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2293, a bill to establish a national, toll-free telephone parent helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families.

S. 2296

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2296, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 38, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 429

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 429, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION 431

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 431, a resolution

celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 9. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 9. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2338) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, introduced today by Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. ALEXANDER), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it recess until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925; that, at 10:30 a.m., the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 36, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012; and that, at 12:30 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:50 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.; and that, at 2:15 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 36, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:30 p.m.,

The Senate recessed, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2012

(Legislative day of Monday, April 23, 2012)

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

LEADER TIME RESERVED

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4348) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, April 19, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

All after the enacting clause was stricken, and the text of the bill (S. 1813) to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes, as passed, was inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment in the nature of a substitute); the bill, as thus amended, was read the third time, and passed; and a motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

In further pursuance of the order of Wednesday, March 7, 2012,

The Senate insisted on its amendment, and asked a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and the chair, as authorized, appointed the following as conferees on the part of the Senate: Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SHELBY, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. HOEVEN.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 36

The hour of 10:30 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. ENZI, on yesterday, that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 36) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

The hour of 12:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 1:01 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 36

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 36.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 45, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 68 Leg.]

YEAS --- 45

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

21ST CENTURY POSTAL SERVICE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1789.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, to the bill.

Mr. SESSIONS raised a point of order, viz, that the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, violates provisions of section 201(a) of S. Con. Res. 21 (110th Congress), and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and waiver provisions of Budget resolutions, to waive provisions of the Act and Budget resolutions, for consideration of the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Mr. LIEBERMAN asked unanimous consent that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive after votes to occur in "stacked" sequence.

Mr. SESSIONS objected.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 62, nays... 37

[Rollcall Vote No. 69 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 37

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, to the bill.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. BAUCUS) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 27, by striking all beginning on line 24 through line 25, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2056).

Mr. TESTER, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2056, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, to the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, requiring 60 yea votes for an amendment to be agreed to, amendments may be agreed to by voice votes.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2056, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LEE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. THUNE, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. KYL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BURR, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. ENZI) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2060).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2033).

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 30, nays... 69

[Rollcall Vote No. 70 Leg.]

YEAS --- 30

Alexander, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 69

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. SANDERS) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 28, by striking all beginning on line 20 through line 24, and inserting in lieu thereof others words (being amendment No. 2020).

Mr. WYDEN, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2020, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 40, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 18, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2058).

Mr. COBURN, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2058, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, it be in order for Mrs. MCCASKILL to propose her amendment later on today.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2061).

Mr. COBURN, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2061, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 33, nays... 65

[Rollcall Vote No. 71 Leg.]

YEAS --- 33

Alexander, Barrasso, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 65

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That Mrs. MCCASKILL be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 2031); and that the amendment be modified.

On motion by Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. TESTER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. SCHUMER) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 40, line 1, after "post office", by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2031).

Mrs. MCCASKILL, by unanimous consent, modified her pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2031, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. SNOWE to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 34, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 17, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2080).

Ms. SNOWE, by unanimous consent, modified her pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2080, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TOM UDALL (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. KERRY, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. MENENDEZ) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), by striking section 208, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2043).

Mr. TOM UDALL, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2043, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOM UDALL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 56

[Rollcall Vote No. 72 Leg.]

YEAS --- 43

Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 56

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DURBIN to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 33, by striking all beginning on line 24 through line 6, on page 34, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2082).

Mr. DURBIN, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2082, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. SHERROD BROWN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), by striking title III, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2034).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. AKAKA,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 73 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 53

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. PORTMAN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), by striking certain words and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2047).

Mr. BENNET, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2047, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CORKER to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 39, by striking all beginning on line 20 through line 17 on page 45, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2083).

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. CORKER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 29, nays... 70

[Rollcall Vote No. 74 Leg.]

YEAS --- 29

Alexander, Ayotte, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 70

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. AKAKA to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), in title I, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2049).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 57, nays... 42

[Rollcall Vote No. 75 Leg.]

YEAS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), in title II, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2025).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 35, nays... 64

[Rollcall Vote No. 76 Leg.]

YEAS --- 35

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 64

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5788. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Federal Airways; Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0110)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5789. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Multiple Domestic, Alaskan, and Hawaiian Compulsory Reporting Points" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0129)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5790. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Area Navigation Route T-288; WY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1193)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5791. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Colorado Springs, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1191)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5792. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Jacksonville, NC" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0556)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5793. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Springfield, TN" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0591)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5794. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Bellefonte, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1337)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5795. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, proposed legislation to authorize the Transportation Security Administration to hold itself out as a private shipper for purposes of testing air cargo security measures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5796. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order blocking the property and suspending the entry into the United States of certain persons with respect to grave human rights abuses by the Governments of Iran and Syria via information technology; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5797. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5798. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List; and Implementation of Entity List Annual Review Changes" (RIN0694-AF57), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5799. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5800. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 1 (Scotch) Spearmint Oil for the 2011-2012 Marketing Year" (Docket No. AMS-FV-10-0094; FV11-985-1B IR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5801. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pears Grown in Oregon and Washington; Assessment Rate Decrease for Fresh Pears" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0060; FV11-927-2 FIR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5802. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pears Grown in Oregon and Washington; Assessment Rate Decrease for Processed Pears" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0070; FV11-927-FIR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5803. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mango Promotion, Research, and Information Order; Assessment Increase" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0021), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5804. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dried Prunes Produced in California; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0068; FV11-993-1 FIR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5805. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Cotton Classification Procedures for Determining Cotton Leaf Grade" (RIN0581-AD19; Docket No. AMS-CN-11-0066), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5806. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pistachios Grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0077; FV11-983-2 FIR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2012; to

the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 237. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to enhance the oversight authorities of the Comptroller General, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-159).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2339. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain clock movements; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2340. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chime melody rod assemblies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 2341. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right-of-way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 2342. A bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2343. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2344. A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 2345. A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to permit the Government of the District of Columbia to determine the fiscal year period, to make local funds of the District of Columbia for a fiscal year available for use by the District upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to a period of Congressional review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 432. A resolution designating April 30, 2012, as "Dia de los Ninos: Celebrating Young Americans"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 433. A resolution designating April 2012 as "National Child Abuse Prevention Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. Res. 434. A resolution supporting the goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by the year 2025, as articulated in the draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease from the Department of Health and Human Services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 118

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 118, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to allow workers who attain age 65 after 1981 and before 1992 to choose either lump sum payments over four years totaling $5,000 or an improved benefit computation formula under a new 10-year rule governing the transition to the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977, and for other purposes.

S. 296

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 296, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1576

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1576, a bill to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 1622

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1622, a bill to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, to relocate to Jerusalem the United States Embassy in Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

At the request of Mr. ENZI, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, supra.

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, supra.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2096

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2096, a bill to provide for Federal agencies to develop public access policies relating to research conducted by employees of that agency or from funds administered by that agency.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY]

and the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2143

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2143, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2172

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2242

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2242, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes.

S. 2255

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2255, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to add Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as a patriotic and National observance.

S. 2280

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2280, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

S. 2282

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2282, a bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017.

SENATE RESOLUTION 412

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 412, a resolution commending the African Union for committing to a coordinated military response, comprised of 5,000 troops from Uganda, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and South Sudan, in order to fortify ongoing efforts to arrest Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lord's Resistance Army and to stop the crimes against humanity and mass atrocities committed by them.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "The Collapse of MF Global: Lessons Learned and Policy Implications."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The Emergence of Online Video: Is It The Future?"

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Anatomy of a Fraud Bust: From Investigation to Conviction."

AFRICAN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold an African Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "U.S. Policy to Counter the Lord's Resistance Army."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES, AND BORDER SECURITY

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-G50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining the Constitutionality and Prudence of State and Local Governments Enforcing Immigration Law."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND WILDLIFE

The Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 24, 2012, at 10:15 a.m., in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

DESIGNATING "DIA DE LOS NINOS: CELEBRATING YOUNG AMERICANS"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 432) designating April 30, 2012, as

"Dia de los Ninos: Celebrating Young Americans", submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. LAUTENBERG), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 433) designating April 2012 as "National Child Abuse Prevention Month", submitted today by Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KERRY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

U.S. – JAPAN INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the Vice President, pursuant to Section 5 of Title I of Division H of Public Law 110-161, had appointed Ms. MURKOWSKI as Vice Chairman of the U.S.-Japan Interparliamentary Group conference for the 112th Congress.

BILLS READ THE FIRST AND SECOND TIMES AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the bills (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes, and (S. 2344) to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012, introduced on today, each be considered read the first and second times, and placed on the calendar, as pursuant to rule XIV of the Standing Rules of Senate.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the bill (S. 2338) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, introduced on yesterday, and read the first time, be considered read the second time on today, and placed on the calendar, as pursuant to rule XIV of the Standing Rules of Senate.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925; that the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon; that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and that the majority control the next 30 minutes therein; that the minority control the time from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; that the majority control the time from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.; and that, at 2 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1789.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:03 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan from the Eastern Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, New York, New York, offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 25, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1925

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

21ST CENTURY POSTAL SERVICE ACT

The hour of 2 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CARDIN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1789) to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That he be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 2071) on behalf of Mr. WARNER; and that the amendment be modified.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified today,

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN for Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. LEAHY) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2071).

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified today,

The pending amendment was modified.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2071, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the pending amendment be laid aside and considered, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. MERKLEY) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2079).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MANCHIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 77 Leg.]

YEAS --- 43

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Casey, Durbin, Enzi, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 53

Alexander, Ayotte, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Franken, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Webb.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. PAUL asked unanimous consent that it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 2023).

Mr. LIEBERMAN objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. TOM UDALL) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 48, line 2, after "State", by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2076).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), in title II, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2027).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2028).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 35, nays... 64

[Rollcall Vote No. 78 Leg.]

YEAS --- 35

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 64

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 136, after line 14, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2029).

Mr. PAUL, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2029, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CARPER to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2066).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), in title I, at the end thereof, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2039).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 23, nays... 76

[Rollcall Vote No. 79 Leg.]

YEAS --- 23

Barrasso, Burr, Chambliss, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Inhofe, Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Risch, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 76

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MCCASKILL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. MENENDEZ) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2042).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. DURBIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 44, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 80 Leg.]

YEAS --- 44

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 54

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2072).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2046).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 81 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 53

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. MCCASKILL to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), by striking section 302, inserting in lieu thereof other words, and after section 313, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2030).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BAUCUS, and Ms. LANDRIEU) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2036).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 23, after line 6, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2073).

Mr. ROCKEFELLER, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2073, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. ROCKEFELLER to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 14, by striking all beginning on line 15 through line 7, on page 16, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2074).

Mr. ROCKEFELLER, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2074, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 48, by striking all beginning on line 3 through the end of the matter after line 5, on page 52 (being amendment No. 2050).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2071, as modified, to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. PAUL) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2032).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2000 (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as modified and amended, was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012, as modified,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---yeas... 62, nays... 37

[Rollcall Vote No. 82 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

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Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Menendez, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass (the bill having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 19, 2012).

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 1925

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

Ordered, That, when the Senate agrees to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1925, as pursuant to the order of Monday, April 23, 2012, the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that there be only debate on the bill on today; and that, when the Senate resumes consideration of the bill on tomorrow, there be only debate thereon until 11:30 a.m.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of Monday, April 23, 2012, as modified on today,

The motion, by Mr. REID, that the Senate proceed to consider bill S. 1925 was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 11:30 a.m. on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Gregg Jeffrey Costa, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and David Campos Guaderrama, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations, without intervening action or debate, in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no other motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5807. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending December 31, 2011 (DCN OSS 2012-0567); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5808. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Marc E. Rogers, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5809. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Richard Y. Newton III, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5810. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General William T. Lord, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5811. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Donald J. Hoffman, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5812. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5813. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5814. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011 annual report relative to the STARBASE Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5815. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq that was declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5816. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5817. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AF61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5818. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Condition-Monitoring Techniques for Electric Cables Used in Nuclear Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.218), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5819. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretations; Removal of Part 8" (RIN3150-AJ02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5820. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Availability of Revision 4 to the Standard Technical Specifications" (NUREG-1430, -1431, -1432, -1433, and -1434), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5821. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Hawaii State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9634-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5822. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Removal of the 1980 Consent Order for the Maryland Slag Company" (FRL No. 9664-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5823. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Regulation (UCMR 3) for Public Water Systems" (FRL No. 9660-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5824. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona; Update to Stage II Gasoline Vapor Recovery Program; Change in the Definition of 'Gasoline' to Exclude 'E85'" (FRL No. 9661-3), received

in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5825. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Underground Storage Tank Program: Approved State Program for the State of Oregon" (FRL No. 9615-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5826. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Approval of Substitution for Transportation Control Measures" (FRL No. 9662-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5827. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Final Approval of Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators State Plan for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Illinois" (FRL No. 9663-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5828. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Final Approval of Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators State Plan for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Indiana" (FRL No. 9663-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5829. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Significant New Uses of Tris Carbamoyl Triazine; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 9344-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5830. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9345-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5831. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9343-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5832. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination to Stay and Defer Sanctions, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9665-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5833. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and Eastern Kern and Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control Districts" (FRL No. 9652-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5834. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Missouri and Illinois; St. Louis; Determination of Attainment by Applicable Attainment Date for the 1997 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)" (FRL No. 9666-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5835. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Massachusetts; Determination of Attainment of the One-hour Ozone Standard for the Springfield Area" (FRL No. 9664-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5836. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants Under the Clean Water Act; Analysis and Sampling Procedures" (FRL No. 9664-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5837. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Reporting Interest Paid to Nonresident Aliens" ((RIN1545-BJ01)(TD 9584)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5838. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of the Normal Retirement Age Requirements to Governmental Plans" (Notice 2012-29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5839. A communication from the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Federal Disability Insurance Trust Funds, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Disability Insurance (DI) Trust Fund becoming inadequate within the next 10 years; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5840. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-019, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel’s Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5841. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-023, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel’s Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5842. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-007, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to

Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5843. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period December 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5844. A communication from the Presiding Governor of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Annual Report for 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5845. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fourth Biennial Report to Congress on Evaluation, Research, and Technical Assistance Activities Supported by the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5846. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a report relative to the Administration's proposal for the reauthorization of the Medical Device User Fee Act (MDUFA); to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5847. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports entitled "The National Healthcare Quality Report 2011" and "The National Healthcare Disparities Report 2011"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5848. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Information for Certain Intellectual Property Rights Enforced at the Border" (RIN1515-AD87), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5849. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Executive Summary" of the "2011 Annual Report of the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts" and "Judicial Business of the United States Courts" and the Uniform Resource Locators (URL) for the complete copies of those reports; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5850. A communication from the Chairman, Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the memorial construction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-76. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to review portions of the National Defense Authorization Act; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE PAPER NO. 1397

We, your Memorialists, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the Second Regular Session, most respectfully present and petition the President of the United States and the United States Congress as follows:

Whereas, the United States Congress passed the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012 on December 15, 2011, and the President of the United States signed the Act into law on December 31, 2011; and

Whereas, the Act directs the Armed Forces of the United States to detain any person who is captured in the course of hostilities authorized by the federal Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Terrorists and who is determined to be a member of or part of al-Qaeda or an associated force that acts in coordination with or pursuant to the direction of al-Qaeda and to have participated in the course of planning or carrying out an attack against the United States or its coalition partners; and

Whereas, the disagreements and uncertainty in interpretation of the law has raised significant concerns about due process for United States citizens; and

Whereas, the prospect of the indefinite detention of United States citizens violates, without due process of law, basic rights enshrined in the United States Constitution, such as the right to seek a writ of habeas corpus, the right to petition for a redress of grievances, the right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures and the right to counsel; and

Whereas, it is crucial to national security that funding contained in the National Defense Authorization Act for the Department of Defense and members of the military and their dependents remain intact; and

Whereas, the members of this Legislature have taken an oath to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of Maine: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That We, your Memorialists, most respectfully urge and request that the President of the United States and the United States Congress amend the National Defense Authorization Act to clarify that any provisions contained within will not deprive United States citizens of the rights of due process; and be it further

Resolved, That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable Barack H. Obama, President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

POM-77. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan memorializing Congress to reject the recommendations of the United States Department of Defense to remove the A 10 Thunderbolt II force from the 127th Wing of the Air National Guard at Selfridge Air National Guard Base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 211

Whereas, The federal mission of the Air National Guard is to maintain well-trained, well-equipped units available for prompt mobilization during war and to provide assistance during national emergencies; and

Whereas, The Michigan Air National Guard exemplifies this federal mission and provides well-trained citizen-airmen to the United States Air Force; and

Whereas, Utilizing the highly-trained and experienced citizen-airmen of the Michigan Air National Guard is significantly more economical for the United States Department of Defense than utilizing active military units; and

Whereas, The Michigan Air National Guard provides protection of life and property, and preserves peace, order, and public safety in the state of Michigan, by providing emergency relief support during natural disasters; conducting search and rescue operations; providing support to civil defense authorities; and maintaining vital public services and counterdrug operations in the state; and

Whereas, The Michigan Air National Guard, being the air force militia of the state, has a long and proud history with the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, The Selfridge Air National Guard Base dates back to 1917, and currently hosts 20 units from all branches of the United States military, as well as the United States Coast Guard and the United States Customs and Border Patrol; and

Whereas, The 127th Wing flies KC 135 Stratotankers, which provide aerial refueling capabilities around the globe in support of Air Mobility Command, and A 10 Thunderbolt 11, which provide support to Air Combat Command. Additionally, the 127th Wing supports the Air Force Special Operations Command with its 107th Weather Flight; and

Whereas, The A 10 Thunderbolt II mission was transferred to Selfridge Air National Guard Base from the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base following the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommendations; and

Whereas, The Department of Defense has proposed the removal of all 24 of the A 10 Thunderbolt II aircraft from the 127th Wing and replacing them with four additional KC 135 Stratotankers; and

Whereas, Approximately 650 personnel are attached to the A-I0 Thunderbolt 11 mission; and

Whereas, It is unknown how many support personnel will be necessary to service the additional KC 35 Stratotankers; and

Whereas, Removing the A 10 Thunderbolt II mission could affect more than 600 families in and around Macomb County; and

Whereas, The removal of the A 10 Thunderbolt 11 mission could make the Selfridge Air National Guard Base vulnerable to closure in future Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommendations; and

Whereas, The Selfridge Air National Guard Base is one of the busiest, most diverse military installations in the United States, encompassing approximately 680 buildings, runways measuring 9,000 and 4,870 feet, over a million square yards of taxiway and paved aircraft parking ramps, 39 miles of paved roads, and seven miles of railroad track; and

Whereas, Recent military construction improvements to Selfridge include $5.2 million to replace the Control Tower/Radar Approach Control Center and $9.8 million for an infrastructure upgrade; and

Whereas, The Selfridge Air National Guard Base is essential to the local economy, as nearly 3,000 full-time civilian and military personnel work at the base, in addition to approximately 3,000 members of the Air and Army National Guard and the reserve components of the United States military who are stationed at the base; and

Whereas, Portions of the Selfridge Air National Guard Base have previously been targeted for closure in 1995 and 2005; and

Whereas, The defense industry is vital to the economy of Macomb County; and

Whereas, The loss of the Selfridge Air National Guard Base will have a significant impact on the local community, with the loss of employment positions, local revenue, and a significant source of community pride; and

Whereas, The military presence in Michigan has already been significantly reduced by the United States Department of Defense with the 1977 decision to close Kincheloe Air Force Base in Chippewa County, the 1991 decision to close the Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Iosco County, the 1993 decision to close the K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Marquette County, and the 2005 decision to close the United States Army Garrison at Selfridge Air National Guard Base; and

Whereas, Losses to the 127th Wing of the Air National Guard at Selfridge Air National Guard Base will have immeasurable consequences for the state of Michigan, both in terms of economic ramifications, as well as in terms of community pride and disaster readiness: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the Congress of the United States to reject the United States Department of Defense recommendations to remove the A 10 Thunderbolt II aircraft from the 127th Wing of the Air National Guard at Selfridge Air National Guard Base; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of Defense, President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

POM-78. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida, memorializing Congress to repeal the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 1778

Whereas, Congress enacted the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act in 2010, and

Whereas, the stated purposes of the act are "To promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end 'too big to fail,' to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial Services practices ...," and

Whereas, the act's almost 2,400 pages of federal legislation increases the size of the Federal Government by creating 13 new regulatory agencies requiring 2,600 new positions while abolishing only one agency, and

Whereas, the Congressional Budget Office predicts that the cost for companies to implement the act over the next 5 years will be approximately $2.9 billion, and other groups estimate that the broader economic costs of the act could approach $1 trillion, and

Whereas, the extensive regulations imposed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act will severely damage the ability of American companies to compete internationally with foreign companies or even create American jobs, and

Whereas, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act is an inadequate response to the financial devastation that began in 2008, in part because it has given unfair advantages to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") and the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), institutions that were substantial contributors to the financial crisis, and,

Whereas, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act was championed as creating the most significant financial regulatory reform since the Great Depression, but, in contrast, it has become a radical expansion of federal regulation, vests unprecedented power in the hands of unelected bureaucrats, increases the likelihood that there will be more taxpayer bailouts, has not strengthened the economy or brought stability to the troubled housing market, and does nothing to address the most elemental causes that created the financial crisis of 2008: Now, therefore, be it *Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Florida:* That the Congress of the United States is urged to repeal the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010; be it further

Resolved, that copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-79. A concurrent memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona memorializing the United States Congress enact legislation exempting United States military bases and training facilities from the regulations and restrictions of the Endangered Species Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 1008

Whereas, the mission of the United States Department of Defense is "to provide the military forces needed to deter war and to protect the security of our country"; and

Whereas, according to the Department of Defense and the Government Accountability Office (GAO), a fundamental principle of military readiness is that the military must train as it intends to fight; and

Whereas, the Department of Defense has established military training facilities in Arizona, including Luke Air Force Base, Fort Huachuca and the Barry M. Goldwater range, among others, to accomplish this goal; and

Whereas, Department of Defense officials indicate that heightened focus on the application of environmental statutes has affected the use of its training areas; and

Whereas, compliance with environmental regulations, especially the Endangered Species Act (ESA), has caused some training activities to be canceled, postponed or modified; and

Whereas, compliance with environmental regulations, particularly the ESA, has forced military officials to make adjustments to

training regimens, including requiring units in training to avoid areas with ESA restrictions; and

Whereas, since 2003, the Department of Defense has obtained exemptions from three environmental laws and sought exemptions from three others; and

Whereas, these exemptions allow the military to maintain its high state of readiness and help to ensure its ability to meet unexpected threats; and

Whereas, these exemptions are under increased scrutiny by environmental groups and federal officials who would rather protect wildlife than allow the military to maintain its readiness; and

Whereas, a GAO report found no instances in which the Department of Defense's use of exemptions from the ESA or the Migratory Bird Treaty Act has adversely affected the environment; and

Whereas, the United States military has proven itself to be a responsible and effective steward of the land and environment.

Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress enact legislation exempting United States military bases and training facilities from the regulations and restrictions of the Endangered Species Act.

2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit a copy of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-80. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to review the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision Social Security benefit reductions and to consider eliminating or reducing them; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57

Whereas, the Congress of the United States has enacted both the Government Pension Offset (GPO), reducing the spousal and survivor Social Security benefit, and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP), reducing the earned Social Security benefit for any person who also receives a public pension benefit; and

Whereas, the intent of Congress in enacting the GPO and the WEP provisions was to address concerns that a public employee who had worked primarily in federal, state, or local government employment might receive a public pension in addition to the same Social Security benefit as a person who had worked only in employment covered by Social Security throughout his career; and

Whereas, the purpose of Congress in enacting these reduction provisions was to provide a disincentive for public employees to receive two pensions; and

Whereas, the GPO negatively affects a spouse or survivor receiving a federal, state, or local government retirement or pension benefit who would also be entitled to a Social Security benefit earned by a spouse; and

Whereas, the GPO formula reduces the spousal or survivor Social Security benefit by two-thirds of the amount of the federal, state, or local government retirement or pension benefit received by the spouse or survivor, in many cases completely eliminating the Social Security benefit; and

Whereas, nine out of ten public employees affected by the GPO lose their entire spousal benefits, even though their spouses paid Social Security taxes for many years; and

Whereas, the GPO often reduces spousal benefits so significantly it makes the difference between self-sufficiency and poverty; and

Whereas, the GPO has a harsh effect on thousands of citizens and undermines the original purpose of the Social Security dependent/survivor benefit; and

Whereas, the GPO negatively impacts approximately 28,825 Louisianians; and

Whereas, the WEP applies to those persons who have earned federal, state, or local government retirement or pension benefits, in addition to working in employment covered under Social Security and paying into the Social Security system; and

Whereas, the WEP reduces the earned Social Security benefit using an averaged indexed monthly earnings formula and may reduce Social Security benefits for affected persons by as much as one-half of the retirement benefit earned as a public servant in employment not covered under Social Security; and

Whereas, the WEP causes hardworking individuals to lose a significant portion of the Social Security benefits that they earn themselves; and

Whereas, the WEP negatively impacts approximately 27,755 Louisianians; and

Whereas, because of these calculation characteristics, the GPO and the WEP have a disproportionately negative effect on employees working in lower-wage government jobs, like policemen, firefighters, teachers, and state employees; and

Whereas, these provisions also have a greater adverse effect on women than on men because of the gender differences in salary that continue to plague our nation and because of the longer life expectancy of women; and

Whereas, Louisiana is making every effort to improve the quality of life of its citizens and to encourage them to live here lifelong, yet the current GPO and WEP provisions compromise that quality of life; and

Whereas, retired individuals negatively affected by GPO and WEP have significantly less money to support their basic needs and sometimes have to turn to government assistance programs; and

Whereas, the GPO and the WEP penalize individuals who have dedicated their lives to public service by taking away benefits they have earned; and

Whereas, our nation should respect, not penalize, public servants; and

Whereas, the number of people affected by GPO and WEP is growing every day as more and more people reach retirement age;

Whereas, the GPO and WEP are established in federal law, and repeal of the GPO and the WEP can only be enacted by the United States Congress: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States to review the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision Social Security benefit reductions and to consider eliminating or reducing them by enacting the Social Security Fairness Act of 2011 (H.R. 1332), the Public Servant Retirement Protection Act of 2011 (S. 113), or a similar instrument; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the United States Senate and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-81. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida memorializing Congress to initiate and support nationwide efforts to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the end of the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War and demonstrate the nation's appreciation for the honorable service and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 1080

Whereas, the Vietnam War was a Cold War military conflict that occurred in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia from November 1, 1955, until the United States Congress passed the Case-Church amendment in 1973 which prohibited the further use of American military forces in the conflict, and

Whereas, 2013 marks the 40th anniversary of the end of the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War, and

Whereas, there are an estimated 650,000 Vietnam veterans in the State of Florida, and

Whereas, because of the intense public opposition to the war that existed at the time, members of the United States Armed Services returned home to an unprecedented lack of formal positive recognition of the honorable service they had provided on

behalf of their country and the tremendous sacrifices they had made, and

Whereas, the lack of formal "Welcome Home" parades and other traditional celebrations for returning soldiers that were common in previous military conflicts in which the United States was engaged, coupled with verbal and sometimes physical abuse, resulted in great disillusionment, undeserved indignity, and often great suffering and anguish among returning Vietnam veterans, and

Whereas, many of these brave men and women are now reaching an advanced age, and

Whereas, March 30, 2013, will mark the official date of the 40th anniversary of the end of the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War, and

Whereas, on that date this nation will be presented with a unique and historic opportunity to hold appropriate observances and long-overdue recognition ceremonies that will honor our nation's aging Vietnam War veterans and that may finally provide these brave men and women a fitting expression of gratitude and a measure of healing and official closure that has been denied them for decades and that they so greatly deserve, and

Whereas, the importance of the commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the end of the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War and the opportunity that such an historical anniversary presents to attempt to rectify past injustices and ingratitude cannot be stressed strongly enough, and

Whereas, it is fitting and appropriate that the United States Congress initiate and support efforts at the national level to mark this historic anniversary and to attempt to redress the lack of appropriate recognition and undeserved ingratitude that so many of these brave servicemen and servicewomen received upon returning home, and

Whereas, as part of a national effort, it is also requested that the United States Congress authorize the minting of a 40th anniversary commemorative medal expressing the nation's appreciation for the honorable service of Vietnam veterans, and

Whereas, for this historic opportunity to be fully realized, the United States Congress should act promptly and decisively: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida: That the Congress of the United States is urged to initiate and support nationwide efforts to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the end of the United States' involvement in the Vietnam War and demonstrate the nation's appreciation for the honorable service and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans; and be it further

Resolved, That, as part of such national effort, the United States Congress is requested to authorize the minting of a 40th anniversary commemorative medal expressing the nation's appreciation for the honorable service of Vietnam veterans; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress, and to the legislative governing body of each of the other 49 states of the United States.

POM-82. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming memorializing the United States Congress, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, and the President of the United States reverse the mandate that virtually all private health care plans must cover sterilization, abortifacients and contraception; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whereas, on January 20, 2012 the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reaffirmed a rule that virtually all private health care plans must cover sterilization, abortifacients and contraception; and

Whereas, there are religious faiths in the United States that view sterilization, abortifacients and contraception as immoral and view paying for them as against their religion; and

Whereas, the administration is attempting to force those religious faiths and their institutions, including schools and hospitals to violate the commandments of their faith by paying for this mandate; and

Whereas, this mandate violates the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States by denying these faiths the free exercise of their religion; and

Whereas, this mandate sets a precedent that would allow for an opposite law forbidding the coverage of these items thus denying faiths with opposing views the free exercise of their religion; and

Whereas, the mandate threatens the religious freedoms of all Americans; and

Whereas, it is an injustice to force Americans to choose between violating their consciences and forgoing their healthcare; and

Whereas, longstanding federal laws expressing the decided opinion of Congress and the American people have protected Constitutional conscience rights: Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Members of the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. That the Wyoming Legislature call on all Americans to defend our freedom of religion by opposing this mandate.

Section 2. That the Wyoming Legislature calls upon The President to reverse the mandate of the U.S. Department Human Services.

Section 3. That the Wyoming Legislature calls upon Congress to act in defense of First Amendment rights, states' rights, rights of conscience and freedom of religion.

Section 4. That the Secretary of State of Wyoming transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress and to the Wyoming Congressional Delegation.

POM-83. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona memorializing its support of increasing Border Patrol personnel; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1014

Whereas, the United States Customs and Border Protection service (CBP) of the United States Department of Homeland Security is vested with a priority mission of enforcing immigration and drug laws and the responsibility for securing and facilitating trade; and

Whereas, the CBP includes both Border Patrol and Customs Field Office personnel; and

Whereas, the need to increase CBP personnel in the Tucson sector along the border between the United States and Mexico is critical to increasing border security as well as economic stability in our border communities; and

Whereas, the need to increase the number of Customs Field Office personnel who work at the port of entry in Nogales, Douglas and Yuma, Arizona is a vital component of the economic stability in our border communities and will increase border security between the United States and Mexico; and

Whereas, an integrated approach to securing the border and increasing economic stability along the border and in our border communities is important to residents living along the border and in our border communities, and

Whereas, increasing the number of Customs Field Office personnel at the port of entry in Nogales, Douglas and Yuma, Arizona will allow increased commercial traffic and will result in increased economic growth and stability for Arizona; and

Whereas, all of the benefits of increased economic stability in Arizona can be realized if the port of entry's workload capacity is increased and less congestion and delay result; and

Whereas, increasing the number of Customs Field Office personnel at the port of entry in Nogales, Douglas and Yuma,

Arizona should be part of the infrastructure improvements that are occurring at the port of entry: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring:

A. That, in order to secure the border between the United States and Mexico, to enhance the security of people and their property in the currently unsecure regions of the border and to increase economic growth and stability for the residents of Arizona, the Legislature:

1. Supports the increase of Border Patrol personnel as called for in the Restore Our Border (ROB) Security Plan in the Tucson sector along the border between the United States and Mexico.

2. Supports the increase of Customs Field Office personnel at the ports of entry in Nogales, Douglas and Yuma, Arizona.

B. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-84. A concurrent memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona urging Congress to adopt a Veterans Remembered Flag; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL NO. 1007

Whereas, there are flags for all branches of the armed services and there is a flag for POWs and MIAs, but there is no flag to honor the millions of former military personnel who have served our nation; and

Whereas, a flag is a symbol of recognition for a group or an ideal. Veterans comprise a group and certainly represent an ideal, and surely they deserve their own symbol; and

Whereas, it is estimated that 20,400,000 veterans, affiliated and unaffiliated with veterans' organizations, who have served in our nation's military comprise a significant portion of our country's population; and

Whereas, a Veterans Remembered Flag would memorialize and honor all past, present and future veterans and provide an enduring symbol to support tomorrow's veterans today; and

Whereas, displaying and flying this flag would validate the lives of millions of individuals who have served our country in times of war, peace and national crisis; and

Whereas, the Veterans Remembered Flag would fill the void of a flag to honor all veterans who have served in our country's armed forces; and

Whereas, the symbolism of this unique flag's design would be all-inclusive and would pay respect to the history of our nation and to all branches of the military, and would honor those who have served or died in the service of our nation; and

Whereas, the design of the Veterans Remembered Flag does all of the following:

1. Depicts the founding of our nation through the 13 stars that emanate from the hoist of the flag and march to the large red star that represents our nation and the five branches of our country's military that defend her: the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard.

2. The white star indicates a veteran's dedication to service.

3. The blue star honors all men and women who have ever served in our country's military.

4. The gold star memorializes those who have fallen while defending our nation.

5. The blue stripe that bears the title of the flag honors the loyalty of veterans to our nation, flag and government.

6. The green field represents the hallowed ground where all rest eternally.

Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring, prays:

1. That the United States Congress adopt a Veterans Remembered Flag as described in this Memorial.

2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-85. A resolution adopted by the California State Lands Commission memorializing its opposition to enactment of any bill that reverses President Obama's Offshore Moratorium Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-86. A resolution adopted by the Lauderdale Lakes City Commission, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida memorializing condolences to the family of Trayvon Martin and calling upon all authorities to see that justice is served; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. INOUYE, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013." (Rept. No. 112-160).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1119. A bill to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-161).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1952. A bill to improve hazardous materials transportation safety and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-162).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 298. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the "Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building".

H.R. 1423. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the "Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office".

H.R. 2079. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

H.R. 2213. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 West Eastport Street in Iuka, Mississippi, as the "Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office".

H.R. 2244. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 67 Castle Street in Geneva, New York, as the "Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office".

H.R. 2660. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the "Tomball Veterans Post Office".

H.R. 2767. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

H.R. 3004. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the "Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building".

H.R. 3246. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building".

H.R. 3247. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

H.R. 3248. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental

Affairs, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 419. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 2346. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 2347. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2348. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyclopentylpropionyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2349. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyanamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2350. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diethylaminoethyl-dextran; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2351. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-Phthalimidopropionaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2352. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cinnamic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2353. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2354. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Oxadiazon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2355. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on (3-acetoxy-3-cyanopropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2356. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty of Glufosinate-ammonium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2357. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the tariff rates for carpet cleaners and parts thereof imported into the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2358. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain pasta tools; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2359. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain food processors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2360. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain food choppers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2361. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain coffee makers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2362. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain toasters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2363. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain handheld food blenders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 2364. A bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 2365. A bill to promote the economic and energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KYL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. COATS, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2366. A bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans; placed on the calendar.

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

S. 2367. A bill to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KYL, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. COATS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BURR, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LEE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 2368. A bill to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on midnight rules during a President's final days in office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2369. A bill to establish the American Innovation Bank, to improve science and technology job training, to authorize grants for curriculum development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. Res. 435. A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. Res. 436. A resolution designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2012, as the "Week of the Young Child"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 437. A resolution congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning its fifth National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Hockey Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. WICKER):

S. Res. 438. A resolution to support the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. RUBIO, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. Res. 439. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 57

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 57, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the application of the tonnage tax on certain vessels.

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 705

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 705, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2159

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2159, a bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2207

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2207, a bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2237

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 2237, a bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

S. 2280

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2280, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

S. 2288

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2288, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers.

S. 2319

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2319, a bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to modernize the integrated public alert and warning system of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, supra.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2338

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2338, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2343

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2343, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance

of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 419

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 419, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week.

SENATE RESOLUTION 430

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 430, a resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of the founding of Ducks Unlimited, Incorporated, the achievements of the organization in habitat conservation, and the support of the organization for the waterfowling heritage of the United States.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 9 a.m., in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform: What It Means for State and Local Tax and Fiscal Policy."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SH-216.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security."

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on April 25, 2012 in room 138 of the Senate Dirksen Office Building, beginning at 9:30 am.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Helping Responsible Homeowners Save Money Through Refinancing."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012, at 2 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2012 at 1 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:58 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 491. An act to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2157. An act to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the lnyo National Forest, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2947. An act to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 491. An act to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2157. An act to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2947. An act to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

CONGRATULATING THE BOSTON COLLEGE MEN'S ICE HOCKEY TEAM

On the request of Mr. REED,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 437) congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning its fifth National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Hockey Championship, submitted today by Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL SAFE DIGGING MONTH

On the request of Mr. REED,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 438) to support the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month, submitted today by Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. WICKER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST AND SECOND TIMES AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the bill (S. 2366) to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans, introduced on today, be considered read the first and second times, and placed on the calendar.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 1925; that, following remarks by the two leaders thereon, the time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first 45 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 45 minutes therein; and that, at 11:30 a.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, when the Senate resumes its legislative session, following executive session, on tomorrow, the majority leader be recognized.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

At 6:33 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend Joel Osteen, Senior Pastor of Lakewood Church, Houston, Texas, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 11:30 a.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote); during which the following occurred:

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 1925

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That when the Senate resumes its legislative session, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 1925, for debate only, until 2:30 p.m.; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 2:30 p.m., the majority leader be recognized.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 1925.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be withdrawn; that it be in order for amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute), by Mr. LEAHY, to be proposed; that the following be the only amendments remaining in order to be proposed to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute), or to the bill:

Amendment No. 2094, intended to be proposed by Ms. KLOBUCHAR;

Amendment No. 2086, intended to be proposed by Mr. CORNYN; and

Amendment No. 2095, intended to be proposed by Mrs. HUTCHISON.

Ordered further, That there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for concurrent debate on the amendments and the bill; that said amendments receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that no amendment be in order to the amendments prior to votes thereon; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; that no other motion or point of order be in order; that, upon disposition of said amendments, amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute), as may be amended, be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended; and that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was withdrawn.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEAHY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2093, in the nature of a substitute).

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. VITTER) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2086).

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KYL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CORKER, and Mr. JOHANNS) to insert, in lieu of the language proposed to be inserted by the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), other words (being amendment No. 2095, in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Ms. KLOBUCHAR to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2094).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2094 to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEAHY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 57, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 84 Leg.]

YEAS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of today).

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2086 to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MENENDEZ,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 50, nays... 48

[Rollcall Vote No. 85 Leg.]

YEAS --- 50

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 48

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of today).

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2095 (in the nature of a substitute) to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. HUTCHISON,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 37, nays... 62

[Rollcall Vote No. 86 Leg.]

YEAS --- 37

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Collins, Conrad, Coons, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was not agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2093 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEAHY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 68, nays... 31

[Rollcall Vote No. 87 Leg.]

YEAS --- 68

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 31

Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Wicker.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY to reconsider the vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. KERRY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend title 18, United States Code, to award credit toward the service of a sentence to prisoners who participate in designated educational, vocational, treatment, assigned

work, or other developmental programs, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343:

HARRY REID, JACK REED, S. WHITEHOUSE, JEFFREY A. MERKLEY, CHUCK SCHUMER, KAY R. HAGAN, JEANNE SHAHEEN, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., KENT CONRAD, SHERROD BROWN, JOHN KERRY, DIANNE FEINSTEIN, MARY LANDRIEU, BARBARA BOXER, PATTY MURRAY, BERNARD SANDERS, B.A. MIKULSKI, DICK DURBIN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion to bring to a close debate at 12 noon on Tuesday, May 8, 2012.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5851. A communication from the Acting Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) Certification Process" (RIN0524-AA39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5852. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of fourteen (14) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5853. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of four (4) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general and brigadier general, respectively, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5854. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting a report relative to additional Reserve component equipment procurement and military construction; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5855. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5856. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to South Africa; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5857. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5858. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Singapore; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5859. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates (UAE); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5860. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Philippines; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5861. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5862. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5863. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Canada, Mexico, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, China, Philippines, Japan, and South Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5864. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Constraint on Releases of Airborne Radioactive Materials to the Environment for Licensees Other than Power Reactors" (Regulatory Guide 4.20, Revision 1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5865. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Changes in Provider and Supplier Enrollment, Ordering and Referring, and Documentation Requirements; and Changes in Provider Agreements" (RIN0938-AQ01), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5866. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5867. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5868. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Passenger Vessel SAFARI EXPLORER Arrival/Departure, Kaunakakai Harbor, Molokai, Hawaii" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1159)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5869. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; On the Waters in Kailua Bay, Oahu, HI" ((RIN1625-AA87)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1142)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5870. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "West Oahu Offshore Security Zone" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1048)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5871. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; Cruise Ships, San Pedro Bay, California" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0101)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5872. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Submarine Cable Installation Project; Chicago River South Branch, Chicago, IL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1122)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5873. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Eisenhower Expressway Bridge Rehabilitation Project; Chicago River South Branch, Chicago, IL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1123)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5874. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; New Year's Eve Fireworks Displays within the Captain of the Port Miami Zone, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1091)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5875. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, Mile 389.4 to 403.1" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1087)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5876. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; City of Beaufort's Tricentennial New Year's Eve Fireworks Display, Beaufort River, Beaufort, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1112)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5877. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sausalito Yacht Club's Annual Lighted Boat Parade and Fireworks Display, Sausalito, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0970)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5878. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Power Line Replacement, West Bay, Panama City, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0983)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5879. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Mississippi River, Mile Marker 230 to Mile Marker 234, in the Vicinity of Baton Rouge, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0841)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5880. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (NJICW), Atlantic City, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0698)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5881. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; S99 Alford Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project, Mystic River, MA" ((RIN1625-AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1125)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5882. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Memorial Bridge Construction, Piscataqua River, Portsmouth, NH" ((RIN1625-AA11)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1097)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5883. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Arthur Kill, NY and NJ" ((RIN1625-AA11)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-0727)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5884. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternate Tonnage Threshold for Oil Spill Response Vessels" ((RIN1625-AB82)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0966)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5885. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Events in Captain of the Port New York Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2010-1001)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5886. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Boca Raton Holiday Boat Parade, Intracoastal Waterway, Boca Raton, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1078)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5887. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Events in Captain of the Port Boston Zone" ((RIN1625-AA08; AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0109)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5888. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XB116), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012;

to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5889. A communication from the Deputy Chief Counsel for Regulations and Security Standards, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Security Administration Postal Zip Code Change; Technical Amendment" ((49 CFR Part 1572)(Amendment No. 1572-9)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5890. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Douglas, AZ" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1313)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5891. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace, and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Bozeman, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0783)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5892. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Brooksville, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0013)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5893. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0959)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5894. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc (RR) Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0562)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5895. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0997)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5896. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc." ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0190)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5897. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Thielert Aircraft Engines GmbH (TAE) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0201)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5898. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0030)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5899. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0992)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5900. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1087)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5901. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Burl A. Rogers (Type Certificate Previously Held by William Brad Mitchell and Aeronca, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0318)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5902. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0191)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5903. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0565)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5904. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1311)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5905. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Robinson Helicopter Company Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0588)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5906. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Halibut Fisheries; Catch Sharing Plan" (RIN0648-BB68), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5907. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for

Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Framework Adjustment 23" (RIN0648-BB51), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5908. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan; Secretarial Amendment" (RIN0648-BB39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5909. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands; Final 2012 and 2013 Harvest Specifications" (RIN0648-XA758), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5910. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Accountability Measures for Gulf of Mexico Commercial Greater Amberjack and Closure of the Commercial Sector for Greater Amberjack" (RIN0648-XB074), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5911. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands; Correction" (RIN0648-XB038), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5912. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Closure" (RIN0648-XB076), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5913. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; American Samoa Longline Limited Entry Program" (RIN0648-XB009), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5914. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB122), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5915. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB149), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5916. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod for American Fisheries Act Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB136), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5917. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB118), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5918. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the West Yakutat District in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB113), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5919. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XB103), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5920. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB142), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5921. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters" ((RIN1625-AA32)(Docket No. USCG-2001-10486)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5922. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "World Trade Center Health Program Requirements for the Addition of New WTC-Related Health Conditions" (RIN0920-AA45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5923. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Cochineal Extract and Carmine in the Labeling of Wines, Distilled Spirits, and Malt Beverages" (RIN1513-AB79), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KOHL, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 2375. An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and related Agencies

programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-163).

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 2465. An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-164).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

H.R. 1016. A bill to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, and for other purposes.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 401. A resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 2224. A bill to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2370. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to make bankruptcy organization more efficient for small business debtors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. LEE):

S. 2371. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 2372. A bill to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2373. A bill to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2374. A bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2375. An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 2376. A bill to recognize and clarify the authority of the States to regulate air ambulance medical standards pursuant to their authority over the regulation of health care services within their borders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 2377. A bill to provide to the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2378. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on vacuum-grade ferroniobium or ferrocolombium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2379. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on manganese flake containing at least 99.5 percent by weight of manganese; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2380. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2381. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing imidacloprid and thiodicarb; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2382. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing methyl 4-({[(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-amino}sulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2383. A bill to modify and extend the temporary reduction of duty on mixtures of imidacloprid with application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2384. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on mixtures containing Imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its B-cyfluthrin isomer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2385. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Imidacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2386. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Penflufen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2387. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to acknowledge that the Department is considering or rejecting a civil rights claim not later than 45 days after receipt of the claim and, once considering a claim, to process all civil rights complaints within 270 days; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2388. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 2389. A bill to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 2390. A bill to direct the Attorney General to revise certain rules under titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 relating to accessible means of entry to pools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 2391. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on bitolylene diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2392. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ginger extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2393. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on celery extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2394. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on capsicum extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2395. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cassia extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2396. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on turmeric extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2397. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on white pepper extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 2398. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on black pepper extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2399. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for persons other than men or women, valued at $12/pair or higher, other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2400. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots), valued $12/pair or higher, with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2401. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for women (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear, snowboard boots and golf shoes), with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2402. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear, snowboard boots and golf shoes), with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 2403. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for persons other than men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots), valued $12/pair or higher, with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 2404. A bill to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to First Lieutenant Alonzo H. Cushing for acts of valor during the Civil War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2405. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2406. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2407. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2408. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lenses for digital cameras with a focal length 55 mm or more but not over 300 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2409. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 10 mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2410. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 70mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2411. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 55 mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2412. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain digital camera lenses not exceeding 765.5 grams in weight; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2413. A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on certain plastic lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2414. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain porcelain lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2415. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain aluminum lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2416. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain brass lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2417. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain occupancy sensors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2418. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electrical connectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2419. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain time switches; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2420. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain surge protectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2421. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2422. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain adjustable metal lighting fixtures; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2423. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nightlights of plastic; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2424. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures containing n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one, 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt, and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2425. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures containing n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2426. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-toluenesulfonamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2427. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on instant print film for analog photography; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2428. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyflufenamid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2429. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on tebufenozide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2430. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Acetamiprid, whether or not mixed with application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2431. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cis-3-hexen-1-ol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2432. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Helional; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2433. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2434. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2435. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2436. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cyanuric chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2437. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2438. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sorbic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2439. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on potassium sorbate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2440. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on N-propyl gallate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2441. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thiourea dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2442. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 12-hydroxystearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2443. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sodium ferrocyanide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2444. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain ceramic frit rings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2445. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain metal iodide pellets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2446. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on leather footwear for women with uppers other than of pigskin, valued $35/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2447. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on leather footwear for women with uppers other than of pigskin (other than house slippers, work footwear, tennis shoes, basketball shoes and the like), valued $20/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2448. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on footwear for women (other than house slippers, tennis shoes, basketball shoes, gym shoes, training shoes and the like and other than work footwear), valued $15/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2449. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nonenumerated footwear for women, valued $25/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2450. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nonenumerated footwear with textile uppers for women, other than house slippers, valued $13/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2451. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on footwear other than house slippers, for women, valued $9.00/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2452. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on women's belts of leather or composition leather, each valued $7.00 or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2453. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on necklaces or bracelets, other than necklaces or bracelets containing jadeites or rubies, valued $10 each or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2454. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imitation jewelry earrings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2455. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imitation jewelry necklaces or bracelets, valued $10 each or higher; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2456. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2457. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on anatase titanium dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2458. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on germanium unwrought; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2459. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on germanium oxides; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2460. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on gallium unwrought; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2461. A bill to renew and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain low expansion stoppers, lids, and other closures; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2462. A bill to renew and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain low expansion laboratory glassware; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2463. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fireworks (Class 1.4G), other than display or special fireworks; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2464. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on display or special fireworks (Class 1.3G); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2465. An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 2466. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the provision of behavioral health readiness services to certain members of the Selected Reserve of the Armed Forces based on need, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) (by request):

S. 2467. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 2468. A bill to establish the Columbine-Hondo Wilderness in the State of New Mexico, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 2469. A bill to prohibit an agency or department of the United States from establishing or implementing an internal policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 2470. A bill to amend title 13, United States Code, to provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population by the Secretary of Commerce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 2471. A bill to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2472. A bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 2473. A bill to prohibit the establishment of new units of the National Forest System, National Park System, National Wildlife Refuge System, National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, National Trails System, National Wilderness Preservation System, or any other system established by Federal law, or any national conservation or national recreation area without approval of the applicable State legislature; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. INOUYE):

S. 2474. A bill to improve the health of minority individuals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2475. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mixtures of N'-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2476. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixture of 1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2477. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain warp knit open-work fabric; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2478. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,8-dicyclohexyl -6--2,10-dimethyl -12 H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]-dioxaphosphocin); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2479. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on o-Chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2480. A bill to suspend tempoarily the duty on 4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2481. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H,31H-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2482. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2483. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3-[[[dimethyl[3- [2-methyl-1- oxo-2- propenyl) amino] propyl] ammonio] acetyl]amino] propyl] -2- hydroxy- N,N,N',N',N'-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2484. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-toluidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2485. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic laminate sheets consisting of layers of polyethylene film, polyethylene coextrusion copolymer of low density polyethylene and ethylene acrylic acid, and aluminum foil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2486. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ethylene-Propylene polymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2487. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl-acetonitrile; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2488. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2489. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2490. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2491. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Copper Phthalocyanine Green 7, Crude; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2492. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sodium thiocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2493. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2494. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on 2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2495. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain clearcoat lacquer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2496. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of zinc dicyanato diamine with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2497. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of polyethylene glycol, C16-C18 fatty acids, and C2-C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2498. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2499. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a mixture of alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-Dodecylphenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2500. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one(Methylionone); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2501. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of (acetato) pentammine cobalt dinitrate with a polymeric or paraffinic carrier; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2502. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzene, polypropene derivatives; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2503. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-Bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2504. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on D-Galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-Propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2505. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-, with 2-aminoethanol and Poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9- octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2506. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on D-Galacto-D-mannan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2507. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on parts of frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. REID, Mr. BENNET, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. Res. 440. A resolution recognizing the historic significance of the Mexican holiday of Cinco de Mayo; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. THUNE):

S. Res. 441. A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 2012 as National Youth Traffic Safety Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 442. A resolution celebrating the 140th anniversary of Arbor Day; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 443. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. THUNE):

S. Res. 444. A resolution designating the week of May 1 through May 7, 2012, as "National Physical Education and Sport Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. Res. 445. A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2012, as "Silver Star Service Banner Day"; considered and agreed to

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. JOHANNS, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 446. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations should not be allowed to exercise control over the Internet; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. Con. Res. 42. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. REID:

S. Con. Res. 43. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 207

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 207, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, and for other purposes.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 750

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 750, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 889

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 889, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother's Day.

S. 1133

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1133, a bill to prevent the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes.

S. 1162

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1162, a bill to authorize the International Trade Commission to develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties, and for other purposes.

S. 1202

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1202, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reaffirm the United States' historic commitment to protecting refugees who are fleeing persecution or torture.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1773

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1773, a bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1946

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1946, a bill to require foreign manufacturers of products imported into the United States to establish registered agents in the United States who are authorized to accept service of process against such manufacturers.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2050

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2050, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain provisions of the Creating Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 2069

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2069, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, to save American families and the Federal and State governments money, and to help family caregivers.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2173, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2237

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2237, a bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

S. 2255

At the request of Mr. BURR, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 2255, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to add Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as a patriotic and National observance.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2338

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2338, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 2343

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2343, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

S. 2344

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2344, a bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012.

S. 2366

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2366, a bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

SENATE RESOLUTION 227

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 227, a resolution calling for the protection of the Mekong River Basin

and increased United States support for delaying the construction of mainstream dams along the Mekong River.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 419

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 419, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week.

SENATE RESOLUTION 436

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 436, a resolution designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2012, as the "Week of the Young Child".

SENATE RESOLUTION 439

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 439, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's FY 2013 Budget."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Filing Season: Improving the Taxpayer Experience."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Biological Security: The Risk of Dual-Use Research."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on April 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during session on April 26, 2012.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 3 p.m., to hold an East Asian and Pacific Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "U.S. Policy on Burma."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Financial Literacy: Empowering Americans to Prevent the Next Financial Crisis."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

The Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 26, 2012, at 10 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:35 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1038. An act to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960.

H.R. 2146. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to require accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3336. An act to ensure the exclusion of small lenders from certain regulations of the Dodd-Frank Act.

The message further announced that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4348) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoint the following Members as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of the House bill (except section 141) and the Senate amendment (except sections 1801, 40102, 40201, 40202, 40204, 40205, 40305, 40307, 40309 40312, 100112 100114, and 100116), and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. MICA, YOUNG of Alaska, DUNCAN of Tennessee, SHUSTER, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CRAWFORD, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Messrs. BUCSHON, HANNA, SOUTHERLAND, LANKFORD, RIBBLE, RAHALL, DEFAZIO, COSTELLO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NADLER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Messrs. CUMMINGS, BOSWELL, and BISHOP of New York.

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of section 142 and titles II and V of the House bill, and sections 1113, 1201, 1202, subtitles B, C, D, and E of title I of division C, sections 32701 32705, 32710, 32713, 40101, and 40301 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. UPTON, WHITFIELD, and WAXMAN.

From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of sections 123, 142, 204, and titles III and VI of the House bill, and section 1116, subtitles C, F, and G of title I of division A, section 33009, titles VI and VII of division C, section 40101, subtitles A and

B of title I of division F, and section 100301 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. HASTINGS of Washington, BISHOP of Utah, and MARKEY.

From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology for consideration of sections 121, 123, 136, and 137 of the House bill, and section 1534, subtitle F of title I of division A, sections 20013, 20014, 20029, 31101, 31103, 31111, 31204, 31504, 32705, 33009, 34008, and division E of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. HALL, CRAVAACK, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 141 and 142 of the House bill, and sections 1801, 40101, 40102, 40201, 40202, 40204, 40205, 40301 40307, 40309 40314, 100112 100114, and 100116 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. CAMP, TIBERI, and BLUMENAUER.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1038. An act to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2146. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to require accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

H.R. 3336. An act to ensure the exclusion of small lenders from certain regulations of the Dodd-Frank Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; RESOLUTION PLACED ON CALENDAR

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to Section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 42. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Jacqueline H. Nguyen, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Kristine Gerhard Baker, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, and John Z. Lee, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without further intervening action or debate; that no other motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate resume its legislative session.

DESIGNATING THE "ARMY SPECIALIST MATTHEW TROY MORRIS POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 298) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the "Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SPECIALIST MICHEAL E. PHILLIPS POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1423) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the "Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "JOHN J. COOK POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2079) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SERGEANT JASON W. VAUGHN POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2213) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 West Eastport Street in Iuka, Mississippi, as the "Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "CORPORAL STEVEN BLAINE RICCIONE POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2244) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 67 Castle Street in Geneva, New York, as the "Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "TOMBALL VETERANS POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2660) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the "Tomball Veterans Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "WILLIAM T. TRANT POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2767) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALEJANDRO R. RUIZ POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3004) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the "Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SPECIALIST PETER J. NAVARRO POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3246) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "LANCE CORPORAL MATTHEW P. PATHENOS POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3247) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "LANCE CORPORAL DREW W. WEAVER POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3248) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT PUBLIC SERVANTS SHOULD BE COMMENDED DURING PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 419) expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition week.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL YOUTH TRAFFIC SAFETY MONTH

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 441) expressing support for the designation of May 2012 as National Youth Traffic Safety Month, submitted today by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. THUNE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE 140TH ANNIVERSARY OF ARBOR DAY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 442) celebrating the 140th anniversary of Arbor Day, submitted today by Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF AUXILIARY BISHOP AGUSTIN ROMAN

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 443) honoring the life and legacy of Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman, submitted today by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. MENENDEZ), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 444) designating the week of May 1 through May 7, 2012, as "National Physical Education and Sport Week", submitted today by Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. THUNE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "SILVER STAR SERVICE BANNER DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 445) expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2012, as "Silver Star Service Banner Day", submitted today by Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Mr. BLUNT), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 43) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID, and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until Monday, May 7, 2012.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 A.M., ON MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2012, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, AND FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MAY 7, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 30, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012; that, on Monday, May 7, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343; that the time until 4:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that the House has agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 43, the Senate adjourn as pursuant to the provisions of said concurrent resolution until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate subsequently (on Friday, March 30, 2012) having received a message from the House of Representatives announcing it had agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 43,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:13 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012.

MONDAY, MAY 7, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 7, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, April 26, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5924. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9345-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5925. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carfentrazone-ethyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9346-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5926. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dimethomorph; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9346-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5927. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluoxastrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9345-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5928. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thiamethoxam; Pesticide Tolerances; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9344-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5929. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acequinocyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9346-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5930. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commodity Options" (RIN3038-AD62), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5931. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5932. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Brazil; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5933. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to South Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5934. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Chile; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5935. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5936. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Approval of 2011 Consent Decree to Control Emissions From the GenOn Chalk Point Generating Station; Removal of 1978 and 1979 Consent Orders" (FRL No. 9666-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5937. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effluent Limitations Guidelines and New Source Performance Standards for the Airport Deicing Category" (FRL No. 9667-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5938. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina; Charlotte; Ozone 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9666-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5939. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Final Response to Petition From New Jersey Regarding SO2 Emissions From the Portland Generating Station" (FRL No.), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5940. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Regulations Requiring 3% Withholding by Government Entities" (RIN1545-BK83), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5941. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Gain Recognized with Respect to Stock in Certain Foreign Corporations Upon Distributions" (RIN1545-BI41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5942. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Purchase Price Safe Harbors for Sections 143 and 25" (Rev. Proc. 2012-25), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5943. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - May 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5944. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Nonresident Alien Deposit Interest Regulations" (Rev. Proc. 2012-24), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5945. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, certification for the export of various calibers of center and rim bolt action rifles to the Country of Belgium in the amount of $1,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5946. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, or defense services for the design, development, manufacture, test, on-ground launch-site delivery, completion of in-orbit testing and long-term support for the MEXSAT Commercial Communication Satellite Program; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5947. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing license agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to the Republic of Korea for the manufacture of FA-50 Light Attack Aircraft in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5948. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to support the Proton launch of the W3D Commercial Communication Satellites from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5949. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to support the design, manufacturing and delivery phases of the SES-8 Commercial Communications Satellite Program for the Netherlands in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5950. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a technical assistance agreement to France, Italy, Belgium and Spain for the design, manufacture, and delivery of Satellite Subsystems On-Board Processors for the Iridium NEXT program in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5951. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom in support of the sale of one C-17 Globemaster III transport aircraft in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5952. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits" (RIN1212-AB04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5953. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Roth Feature to the Thrift Savings Plan and Miscellaneous Uniformed Services Account Amendments" (5 CFR Parts 1600, 1601, 1604, 1605, 1650, 1651, 1653, 1655, and 1690), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5954. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-345 "Raising the Expectations for Education Outcomes Omnibus Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5955. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3335-EM in the State of Maryland having exceeded the $5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5956. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5957. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on applications made by the

Government for authority to conduct electronic surveillance and physical searches during calendar year 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5958. A communication from the Chair, U.S. Sentencing Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the federal sentencing guidelines that were proposed by the Commission during the 2011 - 2012 amendment cycle; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2668. A bill to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 435. A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 2516. An original bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2508. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on carbonic dihydrazide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2509. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on programmable controllers certified by the importer as designed for use in agricultural and off-road construction vehicles to control vehicle accessories and auxiliary functions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2510. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain drive axles designed for use in off-road construction loaders and backhoes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2511. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2512. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Captan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2513. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fosamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2514. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on orthotoluidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 2515. A bill to promote the use of clean cookstoves and fuels to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and combat harmful pollution by creating a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 2516. An original bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2517. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with 85% water or methanol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2518. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on aqueous mixtures of polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2519. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on s-Metolachlor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2520. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on glyoxylic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2521. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mandipropamid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2522. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on onitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2523. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-Chloro-2-propanone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2524. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on DEMBB; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2525. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mesotrione; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2526. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triflic anhydride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2527. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triflic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 2528. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on para-methoxyphenol or hydroquinone monomethylether; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 2529. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain truck cabs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2530. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2531. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain portable personal area mosquito repellants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2532. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Laromer PE 55 F; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2533. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2534. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on specially designed vehicles, not elsewhere specified or indicated; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2535. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on calcium chloride phosphate phosphor activated by manganese and antimony; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2536. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on drinking glasses valued not over $0.30; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2537. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2538. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2539. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Basic Violet 11; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2540. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Basic Violet 11:1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2541. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphorescent pigment; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2542. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Orange 115, Marigold Orange; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2543. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 131, Fluorescent Yellow M, Mohawk; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2544. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on compound of barium magnesium aluminate phosphor, activated by europium or manganese; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2545. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2546. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Reactive Red; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2547. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on strontium halophosphate doped with europium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2548. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 195; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2549. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Huron Yellow Dye; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2550. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Invisible Blue Dye; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2551. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 160:1, Potomac; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2552. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxide phosphor, activated by europium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 2553. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. COONS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. KOHL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 2554. A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2555. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain parts and accessories of measuring or checking instruments; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2556. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2557. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on artichokes, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2558. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on artichokes, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2559. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain infant products; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2560. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain bags for toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2561. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain educational toys or devices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2562. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2563. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain protective cases of molded silicone for toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2564. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2565. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2566. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic stylus pens for use with toys; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2567. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain headphones, AC adapters, and protective cases of molded silicone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2568. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

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By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

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By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2572. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain wide-range high sensitivity zoom security cameras; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2573. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2574. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2575. A bill to reduce the duty on golf club putter heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2576. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain toric shaped polarized materials; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2577. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain non-toric shaped polarized materials of 80mm or less diameter; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2578. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain non-toric shaped polarized materials of more than 80mm diameter; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2579. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on insulated food or beverage bags with

outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic, certified by the importer as containing over 40 percent by weight of recycled plastics, exceeding 300 mm in length; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2580. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic, certified by the importer as containing over 40 percent by weight of recycled plastics, not to exceed 300 mm in length; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2581. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device book style covers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2582. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device book style covers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2583. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device covers and stands; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2584. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device covers and stands; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2585. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on floor coverings and mats, of over 30% recycled Polyethylene (PE) or Ethylene-Vinyl Acetate (EVA), of the kind used for temporary cushioning for children and adults; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 2586. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 2587. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Carbaryl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 2588. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-amino-5-cyano-N,3-dimethylbenzamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 2589. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Picoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 2590. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on A5546 sulfonamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2591. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ultraviolet lamps filled with deuterium gas; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2592. A bill to extend the temporary duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2593. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on trifloxysulfuron-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2594. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Thiamethoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2595. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2596. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Triasulfuron; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2597. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2598. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dichloroacetyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2599. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fenpyroximate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2600. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pyraflufen-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2601. A bill to extend temporarily the suspension of duty on Flutolanil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2602. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Buprofezin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2603. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tolfenpyrad technical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2604. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cyan 854 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2605. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2606. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on black 661 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 2607. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on black 820 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2608. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl-4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2609. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Famoxadone, Cymoxanil, and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2610. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Esfenvalerate technical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2611. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2612. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2613. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pyrithiobac-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2614. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethyl 2-(Isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2615. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Benzyl carbazate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2616. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pyraflufen-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2617. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2618. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of difenoconazole and mefenoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2619. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2620. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2621. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain rooftop cargo bags; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2622. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-aminopyridine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 2623. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2624. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Avermectin B; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2625. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cyproconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2626. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on clodinafop-propargyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2627. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on fludioxonil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2628. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on formulations of Thiamethoxam, Difenoconazole, Fludioxinil, and Mefenoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2629. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on (R,S)--2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2630. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pymetrozine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2631. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on azoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2632. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cloquintocet-mexyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 2633. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Pinoxaden; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2634. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on perfluorocarbon amines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2635. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2636. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2637. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2638. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid); to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2639. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bisphenol A Bis(3-methacryloyloxypropyl) ether substituted dimethacylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2640. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2641. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2642. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain polycrystalline fibers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2643. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2644. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain catalytic converter mats of glass fibers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2645. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain catalytic converter mounting mats; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2646. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ascorbic acid encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2647. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain bicycle brakes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2648. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on bicycle wheel rims; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2649. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on bicycle speedometers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2650. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on wide angle reflectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2651. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2652. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bicycle speedometer parts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2653. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2654. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2 propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2655. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Styrene, ar-ethyl-,polymer with divinylbenzene and styrene beads having low ash content; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2656. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ion exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid crosslinked with divinylbenzene, in the potassium ionic form; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2657. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on macroporous ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2658. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ion exchange resin - Methanamine, N methyl reaction products with

chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2659. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2660. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Brine Electrolysis Ion Exchange Apparatus; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2661. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Agilon 400; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2662. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pigments based on titanium dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2663. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Violet 23; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2664. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,3-dichloronitrobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2665. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phenyl isocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2666. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten concentrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2667. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Vacuum-Grade Ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2668. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2669. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Metallic Manganese; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2670. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten carbide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2671. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetraxol-5-one; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2672. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2673. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2674. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-etha edioate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2675. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ancamine 2422 Curing Agent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2676. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldhyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2677. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperdine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2678. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,2,4 Triazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2679. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain rolled glass in sheets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2680. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and tebuconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2681. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing flupyram and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2682. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Strong Base Anionic Resin-Quaternary amine styrene divinylbenzene copolymer in the chloride form; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2683. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ion exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer, with ethnylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2684. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Disflamoll TOF; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2685. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,5-dimethyl-2, 5-hexanediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2686. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Preventol ON Extra Preservative; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2687. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethylisopropylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2688. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on P-Toluidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2689. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2690. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(methyl methacrylate); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2691. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-Nitrotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2692. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of phenyl esters of C10-C18 alkylsulfonic acids; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2693. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12; and polyamide 6, 12; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2694. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chlorobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2695. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-dichlorobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2696. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2697. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl dicarbonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2698. A bill to extend and modify the temporary duty on 11-aminoundecanoic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2699. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphorous sulfochloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2700. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2701. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Phenmedipham; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2702. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spirodiclofen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2703. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-acetylbutyrolactone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2704. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Fosetyl-Al; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2705. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain smooth nonwoven fiberglass sheets of a type primarily used as acoustical facing for ceiling panels; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2706. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Iminodisuccinate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2707. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Levapren-Levamel; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2708. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fiberglass sheets used in flooring; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2709. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bayderm Bottom DLV-N; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2710. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on thionyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2711. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Di-cup Organic Peroxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2712. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bayowet C4; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2713. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-chlorotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2714. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methanesulfonic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2715. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chloromethylbenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2716. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2717. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methanesulfonyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2718. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disflamoll DPK; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2719. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and prothioconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2720. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and trifloxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2721. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2722. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on spirotetramat; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2723. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thiacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2724. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on (RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2725. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thidiazuron; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2726. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of cyprosulfamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2727. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on modified aliphatic amine mixtures containing benzyl alcohol, formaldehyde, polymer with 1,3-benezenedimethanamine and phenol, 1,3-benzenedimethanamine, phenol, 4,4' -(1-methylethylidene)bis-, polymer with 2-(chloromethyl)oxirane, reaction products with ethylene-diamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2728. A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2729. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triethylenediamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2730. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on alpha-threo phenyl-2-piperidyl acetamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2731. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain pressure distillation columns; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2732. A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on alpha-phenyl-2-piperdylacetic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2733. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on aqueous emulsion of a modified aliphatic amine mixture of: decanedioic acid, compounds with 1,3-benzene-dimethanamine-bisphenol A-bisphenol A diglycidyl ether-diethylenetriamine glycidyl phenyl ether reaction product-epichlorohydrinformaldehyde- propylene oxide-triethylenetetramine polymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2734. A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on 4-bromobenzyl bromide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2735. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on helium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2736. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2737. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cast stainless steel single-piece exhaust gas manifolds; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2738. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4'-methylendianiline; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2739. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cerium nitrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2740. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of alkene polylmers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2741. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on gadolinium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2742. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lanthanum oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2743. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knitted or crocheted fabrics of a width exceeding 30 cm, containing by weight 5 percent or more of elastomeric yarn but not containing rubber thread; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2744. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2745. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixed xylidines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2746. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2747. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures or coprecipitates of lanthanum phosphate, cerium-doped lanthanum phosphate, cerium phosphate, and terbium phosphate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2748. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzamine, dodecyl-, branched; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2749. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures or coprecitates of yttrium oxide and europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2750. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2751. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on n-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2752. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on picoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2753. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H,3H-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2754. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,4'-oxydianiline; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2755. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 3,3',4,4'-biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2756. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nitroaniline; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2757. A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on pyromellitic dianhydride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2758. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Aspirin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2759. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2760. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on poly(toluene diisocyanate); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2761. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-ethylhexylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2762. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2763. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol and 2-oxepanone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2764. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Vat Violet 10; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2765. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copoly(dimethyl carbonate/1,6-hexanediol); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2766. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Lambda-Cy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2767. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2768. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on oxyfluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2769. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on liquid-filled glass bulbs designed for sprinkler systems and other release devices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2770. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on reaction product of 3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2771. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on captan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2772. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on oxirane, 2-methyl-, polymer with oxirane, ether with 1,2,3-propanetriol (3:1), polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene and a-hydro-w-hydroxypoly[oxy(methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)] ether with 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol (3:1), caprolactam-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2773. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide, polymer with 5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1'-methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- and polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2774. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-[methoxy(methylthio) phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2775. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N,N'N"-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H,4H,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2776. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2777. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl sulfanilylcarbamate, sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2778. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on reaction product of 3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2779. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(1,6-diisocyanatohexane-block-polyethylene-block-poly-propylene glycol monobutyl ether); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2780. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cypermethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2781. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on water-dispersible polyisocyanate products based on nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-dimethyl-, compounds with 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanatohexane homopolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2782. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Oryzalin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2783. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2784. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2785. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on zinc dimethyldithiocarbamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2786. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2787. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on thiophanate methyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2788. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing tripehnylmethane triisocyanate in solvents; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 2789. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Preventol O Extra; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2790. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2791. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on stannic oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2792. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-methylimidazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2793. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1:1); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2794. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM Salt); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2795. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copper peptide (AHK-Cu); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 2796. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2797. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on leather basketballs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2798. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on basketballs having an external surface other than leather or rubber; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2799. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on rubber basketballs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. REID, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2800. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on volleyballs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2801. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 180; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2802. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2803. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on butanamide, N-(2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)-2-[2-(2-methoxyphenyl)diazenyl]-3-oxo-; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2804. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain high-performance loudspeakers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2805. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electrical transformers rated at 40VA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2806. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on fasteners, in clips suitable for use in a mechanical attaching device; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2807. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hand tools designed for securing plastic fasteners; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2808. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf club driver heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2809. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fairway wood heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2810. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf club iron heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2811. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf wedge club heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2812. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hybrid golf club heads; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2813. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxides having a purity of at least 99.9 percent; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2814. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain synthetic filament yarns; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2815. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain untwisted filament yarns; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2816. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cellular plastic sheets for micron-retention filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2817. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain plastic fittings of perfluoroalkoxy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2818. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on plastic mesh for filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2819. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on plastic mesh for filters (high flow); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2820. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cellular plastic sheets for nano-retention filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2821. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2822. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on p-Aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2823. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 3-amino-4-methylbenzamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2824. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Blue 7; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2825. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Red 1:1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2826. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Red 1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2827. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Violet 1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2828. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2829. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2830. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on 3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-

biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2831. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Red 187; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2832. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 181; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2833. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on alginic acid, ammonium alignate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 2834. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 2835. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2836. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on sodium alginate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2837. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on propylene glycol alginates; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2838. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on viscose rayon staple fibers having a decitex of less than 5.0; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 584

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 584, a bill to establish the Social Work Reinvestment Commission to provide independent counsel to Congress and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy issues associated with recruitment, retention, research, and reinvestment in the profession of social work, and for other purposes.

S. 657

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 657, a bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

S. 738

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning.

S. 886

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 886, a bill to amend the Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978 to prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1107

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1107, a bill to authorize and support psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, to express the sense of the Congress to encourage and leverage public and private investment in psoriasis research with a particular focus on interdisciplinary collaborative research on the relationship between psoriasis and its comorbid conditions, and for other purposes.

S. 1297

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1297, a bill to preserve State and institutional authority relating to State authorization and the definition of credit hour.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1561

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1561, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the deductibility of charitable contributions to agricultural research organizations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1751

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1751, a bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels.

S. 1809

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1809, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for viral hepatitis surveillance, education, and testing in order to prevent deaths from liver cancer, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to

require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2050

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2050, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain provisions of the Creating Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2143

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2143, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the names of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2241

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2241, a bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2244

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2244, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist in the identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery, and for other purposes.

S. 2299

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2299, a bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of civil relief to members of the uniformed services and to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of such members, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2343

At the request of Mr. REID, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2343, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration.

SENATE RESOLUTION 429

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 429, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2050. An act to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2096. An act to advance cybersecurity research, development, and technical standards, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2240. An act to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3523. An act to provide for the sharing of certain cyber threat intelligence and cyber threat information between the intelligence community and cybersecurity entities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3834. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4257. An act to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to revise requirements relating to Federal information security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4628. An act to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

H.R. 4849. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 note) as amended, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2014: Mr. Samuel Gejdenson of Branford, Connecticut.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2096. An act to advance cybersecurity research, development, and technical standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3523. An act to provide for the sharing of certain cyber threat intelligence and cyber threat information between the intelligence community and cybersecurity entities, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

H.R. 3834. An act to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4257. An act to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to revise requirements relating to Federal information security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2050) to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2240) to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4628) to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4849) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343; that the time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, following the vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:46 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 8, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2050) to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2240) to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4628) to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4849) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, April 26, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

The hour of 12 noon having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID, on Thursday, April 26, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, April 26, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 45

[Rollcall Vote No. 89 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 45

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

Ms. SNOWE, when her name was called, answered "present".

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider the bill.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-5959. A communication from the Deputy Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Specification for 15kV and 25kV Primary Underground Power Cable" (7 CFR Part 1728), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5960. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Cocoa Beach, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0099)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5961. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Columbia, SC" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1196)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5962. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Seattle, WA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1358)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5963. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Value Engineering" (RIN2125-AF40), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5964. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to certifications granted in relation to the incidental capture of sea turtles in commercial shrimping operations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5965. A communication from the Executive Director, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's 2011 Annual Report to the President and Congress; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5966. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Agency Rules of Practice" (RIN2126-AB38), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5967. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company (GE) Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2006-25738)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5968. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Mooney Aviation Company, Inc. (Mooney) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0275)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5969. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0272)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5970. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd and Co KG Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0288)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5971. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0273)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5972. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1225)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5973. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1224)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5974. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0355)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5975. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law,

the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; DG Flugzeugbau GmbH Sailplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1342)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5976. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1194)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5977. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney (PW) Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1176)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5978. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1090)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5979. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1414)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5980. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2007-27223)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5981. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-1324)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5982. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0913)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5983. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1113)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5984. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0025)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5985. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Martin Corporation/Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2007-0109)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5986. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Model BD-100-1A10 (Challenger 300) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1064)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5987. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0908)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5988. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1060)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5989. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0858)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5990. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lockheed Martin Corporation/Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0723)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5991. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0296)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5992. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-

AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0331)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5993. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0303)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5994. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Railroad Workplace Safety; Adjacent-Track On-Track Safety for Roadway Workers" (RIN2130-AB96), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5995. A communication from the Principal Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection" ((RIN3209-AA15)-(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0016)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5996. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Definition of 'Swap Dealer,' 'Security-Based Swap Dealer,' 'Major Swap Participant,' 'Major Security-Based Swap Participant' and 'Eligible Contract Participant'" (RIN3235-AK65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5997. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pennsylvania Regulatory Program" (Docket No. PA-155-FOR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5998. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iowa Regulatory Program" (Docket No. IA-016-FOR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5999. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma Regulatory Program" (Docket No. OK-033-FOR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6000. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the authorization of the Minnesota River, Marsh Lake Ecosystem Restoration project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6001. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application, Review, and Reporting Process for Waivers for State Innovation" (RIN1505-AC30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 18, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6002. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the Government of Cuba's compliance with the United States-Cuba September 1994 "Joint Communique" and on the treatment of persons returned to Cuba in accordance with the United States-Cuba May 1995 "Joint Statement"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6003. A communication from the Acting Executive Secretary, U. S. Agency for International Development (USAID), a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 27, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-87. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan urging Congress to reconsider the recommendations of the 2012 United States Air Force Structure Change Report and to deliver no fewer than four C-27J aircraft to the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard as previously committed; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 215

Whereas, The Michigan Air National Guard, being the air force militia of the state, has a long and proud history with the state of Michigan and the city of Battle Creek; and

Whereas, The Battle Creek Air National Guard Base is currently home to the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard, which currently hosts a flying mission of C 21 passenger aircraft, and the 110th Air Operations Group, which provides critical support to the 17th Air Force, or United States Air Forces Africa; and

Whereas, The units of the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard have had a history in Battle Creek, Michigan, since 1947; and

Whereas, The 110th Airlift Wing is a tremendous source of civic pride in the greater Battle Creek area, as it has been one of the most decorated Air National Guard units in the nation, receiving the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award in 1992, 1998, 2000, 2004, and 2011, an honor bestowed on fewer than 10 percent of Air Force units annually; and

Whereas, The citizens of Battle Creek have, over the years, committed unmatched support for the Air National Guard in Battle Creek, including in 1984 by a 4 to 1 majority when voters pledged to extend the runway from 7,003 to 10,003 feet to meet the needs of the Air National Guard, in 2006 when the city's economic development authority purchased 74 acres of residentially zoned, vacant property to preclude encroachment, and when Battle Creek proactively contributed resources and sought matching funds for the construction of a new air traffic control tower to address line of sight issues and construct a parallel runway to enhance safety; and

Whereas, The defense industry, including the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base, the Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center, and the Fort Custer Army National Guard Base, is integral to the local community, and its components are vital, both as symbols of civic pride and as cornerstones of the local economy; and

Whereas, The defense industry is vital to the economy of the city of Battle Creek, with approximately 3,000 local jobs tied to defense; and

Whereas, The Battle Creek Air National Guard Base contributes $22.2 million in total wages and salaries and a total of $26 million in gross regional product to Calhoun County; and

Whereas. More than $22 million in taxpayer funding has been invested in the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base from 2001 to 2011, $16.7 million of which represents the federal share and $5.2 million of which was invested by the state of Michigan. The 110th Airlift Wing has been the recipient of $477 million in operational

funding from 2001 to 2011, including military construction, personnel, and operations and maintenance; and

Whereas, The existing infrastructure and trained personnel at the Battle Creek Air National Guard base are ideally suited to support the C 27J, and the Battle Creek Air National Guard base is second to no other location in the nation for C 27J mission support; and

Whereas, C 27J aircraft based in Southwest Michigan, due to its central location, will provide superior response capabilities in FEMA Region 5 and the region served by the 51st Civil Support Team; and

Whereas, Locating an MQ 1/9 RSO element at the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base instead of the previously committed C 27J aircraft would result in a loss of approximately 70 jobs with the 110th Airlift Wing; and

Whereas, Delivering neither the four C 27J aircraft or an MQ I/9 RSO element to the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base would result in significant harm to the economy of the city of Battle Creek, as well as jeopardizing the significant investments made by die citizens of Michigan and the United States by making the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base vulnerable to future Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC) recommendations; and

Whereas, The Battle Creek Air National Guard Base has already been targeted for closure by the BRAC Commission. In 2005, as a result of recommendations by the BRAC Commission, the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base lost 161 jobs and a squadron of A 10 Thunderbolt II aircraft was reassigned to Selfridge Air National Guard Base. The BRAC Commission also considered the closure of the Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center in Battle Creek, which houses integral elements of the Defense Logistics Agency of the United States Department of Defense; and

Whereas, The loss of employment positions with the 110th Airlift Wing at the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base would have a significant impact on the local economy; and

Whereas, Any negative impacts on the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base would also have other serious consequences, including potential ramifications for other organizations that utilize W.K. Kellogg Airport, including the Western Michigan University College of Aviation; and

Whereas, The Michigan House of Representatives has already urged the United States Department of Defense to deliver no fewer than four C 27J aircraft to the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard in Battle Creek; and

Whereas, Any negative impact on the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard at the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base will have immeasurable consequences for the city of Battle Creek and the state of Michigan, both in terms of economic ramifications, as well as in terms of community pride and disaster readiness: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the Congress of the United States to reconsider the recommendations of the 2012 United States Air Force Structure Change Report and to deliver no fewer than four C 27J aircraft to the 110th Airlift Wing of the Air National Guard as previously committed or, in the event that such aircraft are not currently available, to deliver an MQ 1/9 RSO element to the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base until such time as no fewer than four C 27J aircraft become available, and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, United States Secretary of Defense, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

POM-88. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida urging Congress to repeal the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 1822

Whereas, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act was enacted on July 30, 2002, in Pub. L. No. 107 204, and

Whereas, the stated purpose of the act is "to protect investors by improving the accuracy and reliability of corporate disclosures made pursuant to the securities laws ...," and

Whereas, this federal legislation was passed with the best of corrective intentions after the discovery of corporate fraud and accounting scandals that cost investors and retirees billions of dollars, and

Whereas, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, in spite of the good intentions that motivated its passage, has created an extremely complex maze of federal regulations that are costly and damaging to public companies and diminish the companies' ability to compete against foreign financial entities that are not subject to its regulations, and

Whereas, the costs that businesses must bear to comply with the extensive provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act are unnecessary and crippling, disproportionately affecting smaller businesses, and

Whereas, financial market scholars have observed that the Sarbanes-Oxley Act has produced the unfortunate consequence of discouraging American businesses from listing with New York stock exchanges and listing instead in England where the markets and stock exchanges are less heavily regulated, and

Whereas, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act is a very costly example of Federal Government intrusion that imposes unnecessary regulatory costs on American businesses and interferes with basic free market principles, and

Whereas, instead of preventing fraud and ensuring transparency, the extensive regulations created by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act have thwarted the creation of new public companies, driven business away from domestic stock markets, and cost the industrial sector billions of dollars: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Florida, That the Congress of the United States is urged to repeal the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to remove the damaging obstacles that the act has created for American public companies and replace it with reasonable non-intrusive measures to protect investors; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-89. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida urging Congress to pass H.R. 2918, the Taiwan Policy Act of 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 1486

Whereas, H.R. 2918, the Taiwan Policy Act of 2011, was introduced on September 14, 2011, and is currently pending before the 112th Congress, and

Whereas, H.R. 2918 seeks to encourage and strengthen the commercial, cultural, and other interests between the people of the United States and Taiwan, as set forth in the Taiwan Relations Act which was enacted in 1979 (Public Law 96 8; 22 U.S.C. ss. 3301 et seq.) and which has served for 33 years as the foundation of United States-Taiwan relations, and

Whereas, we are reminded that the Taiwan Relations Act has functioned to ensure peace and stability in the Western Pacific and that it continues to be a priority of the United States to maintain that international stability, and

Whereas, this nation must be vigilant to encourage the secure future of Taiwan and must do all that is within our ability to encourage the military self-defense capabilities of Taiwan, and

Whereas, economically, Taiwan is the ninth largest trading partner with the United States and that trade translated into approximately $57 billion in 2010, and

Whereas, both nations realize that it is in the best economic interests of the United States and in the national security interests of Taiwan that these two nations continue to cultivate the intricate ties between them: Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida, That the Congress of the United States is urged to pass H.R. 2918, the "Taiwan Policy Act of 2011," in recognition that the passage of the act is a necessary step toward nurturing and maintaining the diverse interests that bind the people of the United States and the people of Taiwan; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2839. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS:

S. 2840. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2841. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with antioxidant; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2842. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with acid acceptor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2843. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2844. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2845. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on metal screw type bases designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2846. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2847. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polycrystalline alumina tubes and shaped bodies designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2848. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cermets for ceramic discharge lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2849. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on frit rings composed of dysprosium oxide, dysprosium monosilicate, and mullite; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2850. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ceramic bases designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, with metal locking pins to allow passage of an electrical current; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2851. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polycrystalline alumina discharge tubes prefilled with metal halide salts and designated for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2852. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with antistatic; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2853. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Ipconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2854. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on triacetonamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2855. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bifenazate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2856. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Butralin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2857. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Paraquat dichloride (1,1'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2858. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on paraquat dichloride and inerts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2859. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (CAS No. 29598-76-3); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2860. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4'-methylene bis (2-chloroaniline); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2861. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,2'-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2862. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Daminozide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2863. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4'-butylidenebis [3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2864. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,2'-methylenebis [4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2865. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bis (2,3-dibromopropyl ether) of Tetrabromobisphenol A; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2866. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4'-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2867. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2868. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2869. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on N,NN-Hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenylpropionamide)) (CAS No. 23128-74-7); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2870. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-(4-Tert-butylphenoxy)cyclohexylprop-2-ynyl sulfite (Propargite) (CAS No. 2312-35-8); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 2871. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on etridiazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2872. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on certain golf bag bodies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2873. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2874. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric containing by weight 65 percent or more of micro fiber polyester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2875. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2876. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2877. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2878. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2879. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2880. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2881. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain glass snow globes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2882. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic snow globes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 2883. A bill to renew the temporary suspsension of duty on certain footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 2884. A bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 2885. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of the Purple Heart to members of the Armed Forces who are killed or wounded in a terrorist attack perpetrated within the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2886. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-amino-1,2-propanediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2887. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Trilon MGDA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2888. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Tinopal; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2889. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, in containers holding 3.4 kg or less; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2890. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on pepperoncini, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2891. A bill to extend temporary reduction of duty on pepperoncini, prepared or preserved by vinegar; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2892. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, in immediate containers holding more than 3.4 kg; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2893. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea between January 1, 1999 and January 22, 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2894. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on butane, 1-chloro; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2895. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2896. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hexane, 1,6-dichloro-; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2897. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2898. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 2908; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2899. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on HAS; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2900. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bis-phenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2901. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 3346; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2902. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 1164; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2903. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-ethylhexyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2904. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 2905. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on mixtures of Paraquat technical and Emetic PP796; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 2906. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Propiconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 2907. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on difenoconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 2908. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cyprodinil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 2909. A bill to require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2910. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fuel injection pumps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2911. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain pistons for marine propulsion engines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2912. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fuel injectors; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2913. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plain shaft sputter bearings; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2914. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain forged steel crankshafts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2915. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2916. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2917. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Propiconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2918. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of Imazalil and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2919. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on 2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2920. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Tralopyril; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2921. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Canagliflozin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2922. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Imazalil in bulk active form as the active ingredient in fungicides for citrus fruit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2923. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of Propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2924. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2925. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2926. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2927. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on E-caprolactoneneopentylglycol copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2928. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on helvetolide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2929. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hirvenal; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2930. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2931. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on damascenone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2932. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Muscenone Delta; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2933. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N510; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2934. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on certain viscose rayon yarn; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2935. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on certain twisted yarn of viscose rayon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2936. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2937. A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on extract of licorice; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2938. A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on certain licorice extract derivatives; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2939. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on e-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2940. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2941. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on neon, compressed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2942. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cerium sulfide pigments; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2943. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on lutetium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2944. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of coprecipitates of yttrium phosphate and cerium phosphate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2945. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of coprecipitates of yttrium oxide and europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2946. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2947. A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of polyester fleece sheet sets entered on or after January 29, 2009, and on or before October 27, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2948. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Aspirin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2949. A bill to provide for the liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of digital still image video cameras; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2950. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Methidathion; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2951. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Paclobutrazol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2952. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain power converter panels specifically designed for wind turbine generators; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2953. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain bamboo kitchen devices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2954. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain bamboo baskets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2955. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of cyhalothrin (cyclopropanecarboxylic acid, 3-(2-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoro-1-propenyl)-2,2-dimethyl-, cyano(3-phenoxyphenyl)methyl ester, [1a(S*), 3a(z)]-(+-)-); to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2956. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic children's wallets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2957. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain coupon holders; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2958. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electric wine bottle openers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2959. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain inflatable swimming pools; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2960. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Profenofos; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2961. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain switchgear assemblies and panel boards specifically designed for wind turbine generators; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2962. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Dragasantol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2963. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Cyclogalbanat; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2964. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Citronitile; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2965. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Amberwood F; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2966. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Allyl Hetoate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2967. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Frescolat MGA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2968. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Frescolat ML; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2969. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Hydrolite 6; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2970. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Menthol-D; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2971. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on neo heliopan hydro; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2972. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Allyl Cyclo Hexyl Propionate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2973. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Allyl Caproate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2974. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-Methylylbenzyl Chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2975. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl cinnamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2976. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ethyl Salicilate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2977. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2978. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 9, 10-Anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-(CAS No. 32588-54-8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2979. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,2-propanediol, 3-(diethylamino)-, polymers with 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane, propylene glycol and reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked, acetates (salts); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2980. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4' dichlorodiphenylsulfone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2981. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2982. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Neononyl Acetate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2983. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Phenylethyl Isobutyrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2984. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on trimethyl cyclo hexanol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2985. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2986. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain magnesium peroxide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2987. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2988. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2989. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2990. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2991. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2992. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2993. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2994. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on diaminodecane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2995. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on PHBA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2996. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on thymol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2997. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on majantol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2998. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on hydrolite 5; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2999. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3000. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on allyl isosulfocynate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3001. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Agrumex; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3002. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Anisic Aldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3003. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on vinylidene chloride-methyl methacrylate-acrylonitrile copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3004. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on propanoic acid, 3-hydroxy-2-(hydroxymethyl)-2-,methyl polymers with 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane and reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized, oxidized tetrafluoroethylene, compounds with trimethylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3005. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3006. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on vinylidine fluoride-trifluoroethylene copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3007. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene, oxidized, polymerized, reduced; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3008. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Clothianidin and Bacillus Firmus; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3009. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mesosulfuron-methyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3010. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3011. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl hydrogen phosphite; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3012. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Fenoxaprop, Pyrasulfotole, Bromoxynil Octanoate, Bromoxynil Heptanoate, and Mefenpyr; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3013. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3014. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3015. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Clothianidin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3016. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Triadimefon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3017. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spiromesifen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3018. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-chlorobenzyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3019. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on propoxycarbazone-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3020. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Permethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3021. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4-chlorobenzaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3022. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Fenoxaprop, Pyrasulfotole, Bromoxynil Octanoate, Bromoxynil Heptanoate, and Mefenpyr-diethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3023. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on B-Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3024. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3025. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on B-Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3026. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Propoxur; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3027. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3028. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on D-Mannose; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3029. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3030. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain ion-exchange resins; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3031. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on dimethyl malonate; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BURR, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. VITTER):

S. Res. 447. A resolution congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of charter schools across the United States for ongoing contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 13th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 6 through May 12, 2012; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. DEMINT):

S. Con. Res. 44. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; referred to the Committee on the Budget.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] were added as cosponsors of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1166

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1166, a bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to expand coverage under the

Act, to increase protections for whistleblowers, to increase penalties for high gravity violations, to adjust penalties for inflation, to provide rights for victims of family members, and for other purposes.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 1270

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1270, a bill to prohibit the export from the United States of certain electronic waste, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1703

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] were added as cosponsors of S. 1703, a bill to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to require a Quadrennial Energy Review, and for other purposes.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1863

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1863, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage alternative energy investments and job creation.

S. 1878

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1878, a bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1881

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1881, a bill to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of climate variability and change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities.

S. 1984

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1984, a bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2224

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2224, a bill to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria.

S. 2233

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2233, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

S. 2241

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2241, a bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2280

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2280, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

S. 2288

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2288, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor

of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2343

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2343, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

S. 2344

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2344, a bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012.

S. 2346

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2346, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product".

S. 2366

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2366, a bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2368

At the request of Mr. ENZI, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2368, a bill to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on midnight rules during a President's final days in office, and for other purposes.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2554

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2554, a bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 38, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, supra.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Expanding Refinancing Opportunities to Improve the Housing Market."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

The Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2012, at 3 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 298. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the "Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building".

H.R. 1423. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the "Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office".

H.R. 2079. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office".

H.R. 2213. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 West Eastport Street in Iuka, Mississippi, as the "Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office".

H.R. 2244. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 67 Castle Street in Geneva, New York, as the "Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office".

H.R. 2660. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the "Tomball Veterans Post Office".

H.R. 2767. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

H.R. 3004. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the "Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building".

H.R. 3246. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building".

H.R. 3247. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building".

H.R. 3248. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building".

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4097. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1302. An act to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Tracy, California, to the City of Tracy.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 105. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha.

H. Con. Res. 106. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

H. Con. Res. 117. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.

H. Con. Res. 118. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to Section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 44. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ENHANCEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 743) to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the special counsel, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendments.

The reported amendments were agreed to.

The question being on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BRIAN A. TERRY MEMORIAL ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2668) to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING THE IDEALS AND GOALS OF NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS WEEK

On the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 447) congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of charter schools across the United States for ongoing contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 13th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 6 through May 12, 2012, submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BURR, Mr. CARPER, Mr. COBURN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. VITTER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

At 6:47 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, May 9, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO SYRIA -- PM 47

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report and papers; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1622(d), provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency, unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to the actions of the Government of Syria declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004, as modified in scope and relied upon for additional steps taken in Executive Order 13399 of April 25, 2006, Executive Order 13460 of February 13, 2008, Executive Order 13572 of April 29, 2011, Executive Order 13573 of May 18, 2011, Executive Order 13582 of August 17, 2011, Executive Order 13606 of April 22, 2012, and Executive Order 13608 of May 1, 2012, is to continue in effect beyond May 11, 2012.

While the Syrian regime has reduced the number of foreign fighters bound for Iraq, the regime's own brutality and repression of its citizens who have been calling for freedom and a representative government endangers not only the Syrian people themselves, but could yield greater instability throughout the region. The Syrian regime's actions and policies, including obstructing the Lebanese government's ability to function effectively, pursuing chemical and biological weapons, and supporting terrorist organizations, continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue in effect the national emergency declared with respect to this threat and to maintain in force the sanctions to address this national emergency.

In addition, the United States condemns the Asad regime's use of brutal violence and human rights abuses and calls on the Asad regime to step aside and immediately begin a transition in Syria to a political process that will forge a credible path to a future of greater freedom, democracy, opportunity, and justice. The United States will consider changes in the composition, policies, and actions of the Government of Syria in determining whether to continue or terminate this national emergency in the future.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 9, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6004. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Facility Loans" (RIN0575-AC78), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6005. A communication from the Associate General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, (3) three reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Agriculture received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6006. A communication from the Director, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidelines for the Transfer of Excess Computers or Other Technical Equipment Pursuant to Section 14220 of the 2008 Farm Bill" (RIN0599-AA13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6007. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "1-Naphthaleneacetic acid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9346-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6008. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ametoctradin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9339-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6009. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "a-(p-Nonylphenol)-w-hydroxypoly(oxyethylene) Sulfate and Phosphate Esters; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9340-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6010. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "a-[p-(1,1,3,3-Tetramethylbutyl)phenyl]-u-hydroxypoly(oxyethylene); Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9340-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6011. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Order of Application for Modifications" ((RIN0750-AH56)-(DFARS Case 2012-D002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6012. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of two (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6013. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of five (5) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general and brigadier general, as indicated, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6014. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a quarterly report entitled, "Acceptance of Contributions for Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6015. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Program Acquisition Unit Cost and the AIM-9X program exceeding the Acquisition Program Baseline values; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6016. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6017. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "Leadership, Education, Accountability and Discipline on Sexual Assault Prevention Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6018. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6019. A communication from the Member of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 10th District of Virginia, transmitting, a letter sent to the Secretary of Defense relative to the establishment of an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6020. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency originally declared on March 15, 1995 in Executive Order 12957 with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6021. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6022. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State Community Development Block Grant Program: Administrative Rule Changes" (RIN2506-AC22), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6023. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of a national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222 with respect to the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6024. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to blocking the property of persons contributing to the conflict taking place in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6025. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency relative to the actions and policies of the Government of Sudan as declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6026. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to material violations or suspected material violations of regulations relating to Treasury auctions and other Treasury securities offerings for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6027. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 relative to any exceptions granted by the Secretary of the Treasury to the prohibition against favored treatment of a government securities broker or government securities dealer; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6028. A communication from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 relative to significant modifications to the auction process for issuing United States Treasury obligations; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3032. A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3033. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3034. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Linuron; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3035. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Terbacil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3036. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3037. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3038. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain women's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3039. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain women's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3040. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3041. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but

not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3042. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear whose height from the bottom of the outer sole to the top of the upper does not exceed 8 inches and designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3043. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain women's footwear, covering the ankle, whose height from the bottom of the outer sole to the top of the upper does not exceed 8 inches, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3044. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain suspension system stablilizer bars; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3045. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys or devices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3046. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain injection-molded ABS or PP cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 3047. A bill to encourage responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3048. A bill to provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 3049. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3050. A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until June 30, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3051. A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3052. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide veterans, when such veterans electronically file claims for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary, with notice that relevant services may be available to the veterans from veterans service organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 3053. A bill to require Regional Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 3054. A bill to provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3055. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for women; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3056. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for men; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3057. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for women; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3058. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for men; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3059. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3060. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3061. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on women's sports bras of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3062. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit tank tops of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3063. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit garments of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3064. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3065. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3066. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear with cleats valued at $10/pair or more but not over $13/pair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3067. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear with cleats valued at $6.50/pair or more but not over $10/pair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3068. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3069. A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear valued over $6.50 but not over $12/pair; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3070. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide

and decyl(trimethoxy)silane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3071. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3072. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3073. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the classification of recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3074. A bill to prohibit employers from compelling or coercing any person to authorize access to a protected computer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3075. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 448. A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. Res. 449. A resolution calling on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BURR, and Mr. INOUYE):

S. Res. 450. A resolution designating May 15, 2012, as "National MPS Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. KIRK, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HELLER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WARNER):

S. Res. 451. A resolution recognizing the goals of National Travel and Tourism Week and honoring the valuable contributions of travel and tourism to the United States of America; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 452. A resolution designating July 13, 2012, as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 705

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 705, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 755

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 755, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past-due.

S. 941

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 941, a bill to strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children.

S. 974

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 974, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and to promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector.

S. 1368

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1368, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 2125

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2125, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, to apply accreditation and licensure

requirements to suppliers of such devices and items for purposes of payment under the Medicare program, and to modify the payment rules for such devices and items under such program to account for practitioner qualifications and complexity of care.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2175

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2175, a bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 to provide for the trial of covered persons detained in the United States pursuant to the Authorization for Use of Military Force and to repeal the requirement for military custody.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2237

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2237, a bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2365

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2365, a bill to promote the economic and energy security of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2366

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2366, a bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

S. 2554

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2554, a bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2884

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2884, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 42

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 42, a concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BEGICH,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The Need for Privacy Protections: Perspectives from the Administration and the Federal Trade Commission."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Office of the Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Policy be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The National Flood Insurance Program: The Need for Long-Term Reauthorization and Reform."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Is Simpler Better? Limiting Federal Support For Financial Institutions."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 9, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing on building and maintaining an effective human resource workforce in the Federal Government.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 1:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1302. An act to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Tracy, California, to the City of Tracy.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 6:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one

of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2072. An act to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2072. An act to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

REQUIRING PRESIDENTIAL REPORTING ON ISSUES RELATIVE TO SYRIA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2224) to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. WEBB) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2098, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 105) authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 106) authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 117) authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL GROUNDS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 118) authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL MPS AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 450) designating May 15, 2012, as "National MPS Awareness Day", submitted today by Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BURR, and Mr. INOUYE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE GOALS OF NATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 451) recognizing the goals of National Travel and Tourism Week and honoring the valuable contributions of travel and tourism to the United States of America, submitted today by Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. KIRK, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HELLER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WARNER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 452) designating July 13, 2012, as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States, submitted today by Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. BURR), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30

a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:48 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 10, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 2072

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 2072) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the pending motion to proceed be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; that no amendments, motions, or points of order be in order; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill.

Mr. KYL objected.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072.

Pending debate,

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072:

MARIA CANTWELL, TIM JOHNSON, HARRY REID, MARK BEGICH, MARK UDALL, TOM UDALL, PATRICK LEAHY, SHERROD BROWN, JACK REED, CHUCK SCHUMER, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, DICK DURBIN, KAY R. HAGAN, D.K. INOUYE, MICHAEL F. BENNET, KENT CONRAD, BEN CARDIN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, May 10, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1302. A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Tracy, California, to the City of Tracy.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6029. A communication from the Chief of Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Unlicensed Operation in the TV Broadcast Bands, Third Memorandum Opinion and Order" (ET Docket No. 04-186; FCC 12-36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6030. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Naval Explosive Ordnance Disposal School Training Operations at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida" (RIN0648-AY64), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6031. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Electric Motors and Small Electric Motors" (RIN1904-AC05), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6032. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; California; Western Mojave Desert Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reclassification to Severe" (FRL No. 9669-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6033. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Ohio; Determination of Clean Data for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulate Standard for the Steubenville-Weirton Area" (FRL No. 9669-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6034. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management

Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Commonwealth of Kentucky; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan; Correction" (FRL No. 9669-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6035. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Nonattainment New Source Review Rules" (FRL No. 9669-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6036. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9668-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6037. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Priorities List, Final Rule No. 54" (FRL No. 9668-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6038. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard: Classification of Areas That Were Initially Classified Under Subpart 1; Revision of the Anti-Backsliding Provisions to Address 1-Hour Contingency Measure Requirements; Deletion of Obsolete 1-Hour Ozone Standard Provision" (FRL No. 9668-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6039. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Model Safety Evaluation for Plant-Specific Adoption of Technical Specifications Task Force Traveler TSTF-432, Revision 1, 'Change in Technical Specifications End States (WCAP-16294)' Using the Consolidated Line Item Improvement Process" (NUREG-1431), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6040. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management and Volume Reduction" (NRC-2011-0183), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6041. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Administration, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Access Authorization Fees" (RIN3150-AJ00), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6042. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 42 Qualified Contract Provisions" (RIN1545-BD20), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6043. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Request for Comments on Reporting of Health Insurance Coverage" (Notice 2012-32), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6044. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Finalizing Medicare Regulations under Section 902 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) for Calendar Year 2011"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6045. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Request for Comments on Reporting by Applicable Large Employers on Health Insurance Coverage under Employer-Sponsored Plans" (Notice 2012-33), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6046. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Value of an Employer-Sponsored Health Plan" (Notice 2012-31), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6047. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Extension of Certain Wage Index Reclassifications and Special Exceptions for the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems (PPS) for Acute Care Hospitals and the Hospital Outpatient PPS" (CMS-1442-N), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6048. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Community First Choice Option" (CMS-2337-F), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6049. A communication from the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to continuing disability reviews (CDR) completed in fiscal year 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6050. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, a report relative to action taken to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Hellenic Republic Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Categories of Archaeological and Byzantine Ecclesiastical Ethnological Material through the 15th Century A.D. of the Hellenic Republic; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6051. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Administration, Cost, and Impact of the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Program for Medicare Beneficiaries for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6052. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Defense Trade Cooperation Treaty with the United Kingdom" ((RIN0750-AH70)(DFARS Case 2012-D034)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6053. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and

Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Contingency Contract Closeout" ((RIN0750-AH71)-(DFARS Case 2012-D014)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6054. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Free Trade Agreement with Colombia" ((RIN0750-AH72)(DFARS Case 2012-D032)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6055. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Utilization of Domestic Photovoltaic Devices" ((RIN0750-AH43)(DFARS Case 2011-D046)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6056. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Authority to Require Supervision and Regulation of Certain Nonbank Financial Companies" (RIN4030-AA00), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6057. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Freedom of Information Act" (RIN4030-AA02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6058. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6059. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6060. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department in the position of Deputy Secretary, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6061. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Version 4 Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards" (Docket No. RM11-11-000), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6062. A communication from the Executive Director, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Update of Filing Fees" (Docket No. RM12-5-000), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6063. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to proposed amendments to parts 120, 123, 124, 126, 127, and 129 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6064. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0042 - 2012-0045); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6065. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6066. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Head Start Fiscal Monitoring Assessment"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6067. A communication from the Chief Human Capital Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Chief Executive Officer at the Corporation for National and Community Service received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6068. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Animal Drugs; Ceftiofur Crystalline Free Acid; Gamithromycin; Tylosin" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0002), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6069. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disqualification of a Clinical Investigator" ((RIN0910-AG49)(Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0079)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6070. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-59, Introduction" (FAC 2005-59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6071. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: New Premium Rating Method for Most Community Rated Plans" (RIN3206-AM39), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6072. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Austin, TX and Waco, TX, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas" (RIN3206-AM50), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6073. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Review of the Permanent Supportive Housing Program - Department of Human Services"; to the

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6074. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-346, "DISB Fingerprint-Based Background Check Authorization Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6075. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-347, "Fresh Healthy Mobile Cart Vending Pilot in Underserved Areas Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6076. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-348, "Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Boundaries Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6077. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-349, "Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6078. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-350, "Wrongful Death Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6079. A communication from the Chief of the Liaison and Policy Section, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Controlled Substances and List I Chemical Registration and Reregistration Fees" (RIN1117-AB32), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 4, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6080. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Copayments for Medications in 2012" (RIN2900-AO28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6081. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Revisions to Update Reference to the Required Assessment Tool for State Nursing Homes Receiving Per Diem Payments from VA" (RIN2900-AO02), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6082. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; ordered to lie on the table.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. COBURN:

S. 3076. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to require the public disclosure by trusts established under section 524(g) of such title, of quarterly reports that contain detailed information regarding the receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos, and the filing of such reports with the Executive Office for United States Trustees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3077. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 3078. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 3079. A bill to make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 3080. A bill to eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3081. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 3082. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the National Veterans Support Network to carry out activities to support and supplement the mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3083. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3084. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. REED, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 3085. A bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3086. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.1 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3087. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, colored, crimped, with an average decitex of 3.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle between 660,000 and 1,2000,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3088. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on filament tow of rayon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3089. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring 1.67 to

16.67 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3090. A bill to renew the temporary reduction of duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3091. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on viscose rayon staple fibers having a decitex of less than 5.0; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3092. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on staple fibers of rayon, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, presented in the form of top; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3093. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fiber, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm and a target length of 120 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3094. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fiber, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 89 to 140 mm and a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3095. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers, dyed but not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm and a target length of 120 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3096. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers, not dyed and not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 89 mm to 140 mm and a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3097. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3098. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mucochloric acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3099. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4-Chloro-3,5-dinitro-a,a,a- trifluorotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3100. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on [2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3101. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of 9,10-anthracenedione, 1,8-dihydroxy-4-nitro-5- (phenylamino)- and 3- Pyridinecarbonitrile, 5-[2-(2- cyano-4-nitrophenyl) diazenyl]-2-[[2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethyl]amino]- 4-methyl-6-(phenylamino)- and 3-Pyridinecarbonitrile, 5-[(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl) diazenyl]-6-[[2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethyl]amino]- 4-methyl-2-(phenylamino)- and Acetic acid, cyano-[3-[(6- methoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene]-, pentyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3102. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of 2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-[2-[2-methoxy-5-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]]phenyl]d azenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4) and 2,7-Naphtalenedisulfonic acid, 4-amino-5-hydroxy-3,6-bix[2-[4-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl] sulfonyl]]phenyl]diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3103. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixures of chromate(2-), [3-(hydroxy-kO)-4-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-kN2]-1-naphta enesulfonato(3-)[1-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-5-[2-(4-methyoxyphenyl)diazenyl]phen l]diazenyl-kN2]-2-naphtalenolato(2-)-kO]-sodium (1:2) and coaltate(1-), bis[2-[2-[5-(aminosulfonyl)-2-(hydroxy-kO)phenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-3-(oxo-kO)- -phenylbutanamidato(2-)], sodium (1:1) and chromate(1-), bis[3-[4-[5-chloro-2-(hydroxy-lO)phenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-(oxo-kO)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenefulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1:1); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3104. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acid blue 324; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3105. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixturesof cobaltate(3-), bis[2-[[[4-(hydroxy-kO)-3-[2-[2-(oxo-kO)-1-[(pheylamino) carbonyl] propyl] diazenyl-kN1] phenyl] sulfonyl] amino] benzoato(3-)]-, ammonium sodium and coaltate(2-), [2-[[[4-(hydroxy-kO)-3- [2-[2-(oxo-kO)-1-[(phenylamino) carbonyl] propyl] diazenyl-kN1] phenyl] sulfonyl] amino] benzoato (3-)][2-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-5-[(phenylamino) sulfony] phenyl] diazenyl-kN1]-3- (oxokO)-N-phenylbutanamidato (2-)]-, ammonium sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3106. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Reactive Black 5; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3107. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain other made up articles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3108. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3109. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenydiyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3110. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse blue 77; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3111. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1:1); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3112. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3113. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1:2); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3114. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cobaltate(2-), [6-(amino-kN)-5-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-4-nitrophenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-N-methyl-2- aphthalenesulfonamidato(2-)][6-(amino-kN)-5-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-4-nitrophen l]diazenyl-kN1]-2-naphthalenesulfonato(3-)]-, sodium (1:2); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3115. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1-ylidene}-, pentyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3116. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3117. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on vat blue 66; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3118. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse yellow 64; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3119. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse red 60; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3120. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring over 1.3 decitex but not over 1.66 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3121. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on modacrylic staple fibers containing 35 percent or more but not over 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3122. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on modacrylic staple fibers containing 35 percent or more but not over 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.9 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3123. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not more than 3 percent of water, not dyed or pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.9 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3124. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not more than 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3125. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3126. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 40 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3127. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 4.1 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3128. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than two meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3129. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic fiber tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 3.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3130. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fluopyram; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3131. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imdaziflam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3132. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3133. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fenhexamid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3134. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fluopicolide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3135. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Fenamidone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3136. A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Imidacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3137. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2,4-dichloroaniline; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3138. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on trinexapac-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3139. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cypermethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3140. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring over 1 decitex but not over 1.3 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3141. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostavin 3058; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3142. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostapur SAS; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3143. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents (e.g., saccharin) instead of sugar; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3144. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3145. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Oxyfluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3146. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Acifluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3147. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain eyelash curlers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3148. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on manicure and pedicure sets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3149. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nail clippers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3150. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3151. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3152. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lithium chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3153. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lithium carbonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3154. A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of 8 sub-bundles crimped together, each containing 24,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3155. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product, each containing 198,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 4.0 to 5.6 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3156. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product each containing 214,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3157. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product of 250,000 to 350,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 2.4 to 3.7 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3158. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a decitex of 2.4 to 3.7 (plus or minus 10 percent), a fiber shrinkage of from 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent), and a cut fiber length of 89 to 140 mm, with a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3159. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product, each containing 250,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 3.3 to 5.6 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3160. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spiromesifen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3161. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Indaziflam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3162. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3163. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Sodium monochloroacetate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3164. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Reactive Black 31; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3165. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Yellow 154; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3166. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Yellow 175; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3167. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 151; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3168. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostanox P-EPQ; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3169. A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on preparations based on ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)- N'-(4-isodecylphenyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3170. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostavin 3055; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3171. A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Nylostab seed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3172. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Ethanoyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. Res. 453. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities is an important responsibility of the United States, and that a comprehensive approach to expanding and supporting a strong home care workforce and making long-term services and supports affordable and accessible in communities is necessary to uphold the right of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the United States to a dignified quality of life; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. RISCH):

S. Res. 454. A resolution commending the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Energy hosting the Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. COONS, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. Res. 455. A resolution designating June 27, 2012, as "National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. HATCH, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BAUCUS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Res. 456. A resolution commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 457. A resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Republic of Argentina¿s membership in the G20 should be conditioned on its adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 458. A resolution commemorating May 15, 2012, as the sesquicentennial of the founding of the Department of Agriculture; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 503

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to

declare English as the official language of the United States, to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the United States, pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the United States and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8, of the Constitution.

S. 506

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of S. 506, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students.

S. 598

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 598, a bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage.

S. 740

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 740, a bill to revise and extend provisions under the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1058

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1058, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure transparency and proper operation of pharmacy benefit managers.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1111

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1111, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the tax on beer to its pre-1991 level, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1512

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2017

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2017, a bill to secure the Federal voting rights of persons when released from incarceration.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2118

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2118, a bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2245

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 2245, a bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as

cosponsors of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2388

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2388, a bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

S. 3053

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3053, a bill to require Regional Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 38, a joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

SENATE RESOLUTION 450

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 450, a resolution designating May 15, 2012, as "National MPS Awareness Day".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a roundtable entitled "Medicare Physician Payments: Understanding the Past so We can Envision the Future."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "NATO: Chicago and Beyond."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing entitled "Beyond Mother's Day: Helping the Middle Class Balance Work and Family" on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 10, 2012, at 10 a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:31 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4133. An act to express the sense of Congress regarding the United States-Israel strategic relationship, to direct the President to submit to Congress reports on United States actions to enhance this relationship and to assist in the defense of Israel, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4967. An act to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

At 3:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2668. An act to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 4133. An act to express the sense of Congress regarding the United States-Israel strategic relationship, to direct the President to submit to Congress reports on United States actions to enhance this relationship and to assist in the defense of Israel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

AWARDING A CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL TO MEMBERS OF THE WORLD WAR II CIVIL AIR PATROL

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 418) to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

TEMPORARY BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIPS EXTENSION ACT

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4967) to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in

certain judicial districts, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED OR INJURED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 456) commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty, submitted today by Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. HATCH, Mr. COONS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BAUCUS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. SESSIONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE SESQUICENTENNIAL OF THE FOUNDING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 458) commemorating May 15, 2012, as the sesquicentennial of the founding of the Department of Agriculture, submitted today by Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. ROBERTS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, on Monday, May 14, 2012, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of George Levi Russell III, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and John Tharp, Jr., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on the nominations; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motions be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; and that, when the Senate resumes its legislative session following executive session on Monday next, as pursuant to the order of today, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 6:11 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2012.

MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 14, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 10, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 10, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 2072

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 2072) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 10, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of its executive business (involving one rollcall Vote), during which the following occurred:

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 2072

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That, at 11:15 a.m. on tomorrow, the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072 be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; and that the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to be proposed to the bill:

An amendment (Numbered 2100), intended to be proposed by Mr. LEE;

An amendment (Numbered 2101), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;

An amendment (Numbered 2102), intended to be proposed by Mr. CORKER;

An amendment (Numbered 2103), intended to be proposed by Mr. VITTER; and

An amendment (Numbered 2104), intended to be proposed by Mr. TOOMEY;

Ordered further, That that no amendment be in order to the amendments prior to the votes; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; that no other motion or point of order be in order; that there be two hours, equally divided and controlled, for concurrent debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the amendments and the bill; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that, upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the votes; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that each amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; and that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be passed.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 2072

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That the order of Thursday, May 10, 2012, that the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072, be vitiated; and that the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill be withdrawn.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 10, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 2072

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 2072.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. KYL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3173. A bill to allow funds under title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be used to provide training to school personnel regarding how to recognize child sexual abuse; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3174. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development program; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 3175. A bill to amend subchapter III of chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 3176. A bill to provide that the President must seek congressional approval before engaging members of the United States Armed Forces in military humanitarian operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 459. A resolution commending the 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division upon its completion of a deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 351

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 351, a bill to authorize the exploration, leasing, development, and production of oil and gas in and from the western portion of the Coastal Plain of the State of Alaska without surface occupancy, and for other purposes.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to suspend a limitation on the period for which certain borrowers are eligible for guaranteed assistance.

S. 957

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 957, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of rehabilitative services for veterans with traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of

his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1647

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1647, a bill to repeal the sunset on the reduction of capital gains rates for individuals and on the taxation of dividends of individuals at capital gain rates.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2146

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2146, a bill to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, supra.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2222

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2222, a bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets.

S. 2246

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2246, a bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2344

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2344, a bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012.

S. 2367

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2367, a bill to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3079

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3079, a bill to make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5326. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5652. An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2013.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore reported that he had signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House:

H.R. 2668. An act to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at

2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5326. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5652) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2013, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:42 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 15, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5652) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2013, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 2072

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 2072) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

The hour of 11:15 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The motion to proceed was agreed to;

Whereupon,

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2072) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. DEMINT) to amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2100).

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. CORKER to amend the pending bill by striking section 25, and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2102).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. VITTER to amend the pending bill by striking section 8 and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2103).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. LEE) to amend the

pending bill by striking section 3 and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2104).

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:40 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK REAUTHORIZATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 2072.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2104 to the bill.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That, following the times for the recognition of the two leaders on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to consider motions to proceed to consider, en bloc, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 41) setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 112) establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 37) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 42) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022, and the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 44) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

Ordered further, That there be 6 hours, equally divided and controlled, for concurrent debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the questions of agreeing to said motions to proceed in the aforementioned order; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the votes; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; and that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table.

Ordered further, That, notwithstanding a motion to proceed being agreed to, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the remaining motions; and that, following the votes, the Senate proceed to consider a concurrent resolution on which a motion to proceed may have been agreed to.

Ordered further, That, if no motion to proceed is agreed to, the majority leader be recognized.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK REAUTHORIZATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 2072.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2104 to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2100 to the bill.

On motion by Mr. LEE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 12, nays... 86

[Rollcall Vote No. 91 Leg.]

YEAS --- 12

Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Grassley, Hatch, Kyl, Lee, McCain, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Vitter.

NAYS --- 86

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting words (being amendment No. 2101).

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 9, nays... 89

[Rollcall Vote No. 92 Leg.]

YEAS --- 9

Coburn, DeMint, Hatch, Lee, Moran, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Vitter.

NAYS --- 89

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2102 to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CORKER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 36, nays... 62

[Rollcall Vote No. 93 Leg.]

YEAS --- 36

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Grassley, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2103, proposed by Mr. VITTER, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. THUNE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 37, nays... 61

[Rollcall Vote No. 94 Leg.]

YEAS --- 37

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 61

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2104, proposed by Mr. TOOMEY, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 35, nays... 63

[Rollcall Vote No. 95 Leg.]

YEAS --- 35

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Grassley, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 63

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill.

After debate,

The bill was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. KERRY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 78, nays... 20

[Rollcall Vote No. 96 Leg.]

YEAS --- 78

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 20

Barrasso, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Grassley, Hatch, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sanders, Toomey, Vitter.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purpose.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business, during which the following occurred:

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2344

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent, as in legislative session, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2344) to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. COBURN objected.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6083. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; St. Croix River, Stillwater, MN" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0226)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6084. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Niantic River, Niantic, CT" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0305)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6085. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Lake Washington Ship Canal, Seattle, WA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0362)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012;

to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6086. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Long Island, New York Inland Waterway from East Rockaway Inlet to Shinnecock Canal, NY" ((RIN1625-AA09)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1132)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6087. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Anacostia River, Washington DC" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0591)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6088. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Manchester Harbor, Manchester, MA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0344)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6089. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Saginaw River, Bay City, MI" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1013)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6090. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sunken Vessel, Puget Sound, Everett, WA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0282)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6091. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Long Island, New York Inland Waterway from East Rockaway Inlet to Shinnecock Canal, NY" ((RIN1625-AA09)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0144)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6092. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Lake Washington Ship Canal, Seattle, WA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0280)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6093. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations; James River, Hopewell, VA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0292)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6094. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Intracoastal Waterway, Chesapeake, VA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0330)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6095. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Crowley Barge 750-2; Bayou Casotte; Pascagoula, MS" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0190)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6096. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; 2012 Mavericks Invitational, Half Moon Bay, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1146)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6097. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Patapsco River, Northwest and Inner Harbors, Baltimore, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0101)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6098. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Matlacha Bridge Construction, Matlacha Pass, Matlacha, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1115)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6099. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone for Margate Bridge, Intracoastal Waterway; Margate, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0069)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6100. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eighth Coast Guard District Annual Marine Events and Safety Zones" ((RIN1625-AA00; 1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0286)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6101. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Coast Guard Exercise, Hood Canal, Washington" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0283)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6102. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Non-Compliant Vessel Pursuit Training Course, Wando River, Charleston, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0138)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6103. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Sellwood Bridge Project, Willamette River; Portland, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1174)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6104. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; 2012 Memorial Day Tribute Fireworks, Lake Charlevoix, Boyne City, Michigan" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0337)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6105. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Annual Events Requiring Safety Zones in the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0045)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6106. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; East River, Brooklyn Bridge Scaffolding Repair, Brooklyn, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0263)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6107. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; TriMet Bridge Project, Willamette River, Portland, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1173)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6108. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Magothy River, Sillery Bay, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0001)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6109. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Choptank River and Cambridge Channel, Cambridge, MD" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1164)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6110. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Summit, Chicago, IL" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0052)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6111. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Safety and Security Zones; Recurring Events in Captain of the Port of Long Island Sound Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00, 1625-AA08, 1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2008-0384)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6112. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Spa Creek and Annapolis Harbor, Annapolis, MD" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1120)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6113. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Emerald Coast Super Boat Grand Prix; Saint Andrew Bay; Panama City, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0085)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6114. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Patriot Challenge Kayak Race, Ashley River, Charleston, SC" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1095)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6115. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Tuscaloosa Dragon Boat Race; Black Warrior River; Tuscaloosa, AL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0218)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6116. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Lowcountry Splash Open Water Swim, Wando River and Cooper River, Mount Pleasant, SC" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0252)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6117. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Smokin The Lake; Gulfport Lake; Gulfport, MS" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0168)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6118. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Events in Northern New England" ((RIN1625-AA00; 1625-AA08; 1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1023)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6119. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Potomac River, Charles County, MD" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1176)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6120. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Hebda Cup Rowing Regatta, Trenton Channel; Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0340)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6121. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Galveston Bay, Kemah, TX" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0170)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6122. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Wy-Hi Rowing Regatta, Trenton Channel; Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0342)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 1023. A bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-165).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 3177. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. PAUL):

S. 3178. A bill to amend section 1951 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the Hobbs Act), and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3179. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses with respect to mortgages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3180. A bill to require the Department of Defense to develop a plan to track and respond to incidents of hazing in the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3181. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require a plan to ensure the military leadership of the Armed Forces reflects the diversity of the population of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3182. A bill to require a report on implementation of a termination on the ground combat exclusion policy for female members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3183. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 3184. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fitness equipment; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 3185. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 3186. A bill to make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile device; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 3187. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. LEE):

S.J. Res. 40. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to the deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 460. A resolution designating the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012, as "National Public Works Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WARNER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. COONS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 461. A resolution recognizing the teachers of the United States for their contributions to the development and progress of our Nation; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 534

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 534, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program.

S. 1288

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1288, a bill to exempt certain class A CDL drivers from the requirement to obtain a hazardous material endorsement while operating a service vehicle with a fuel tank containing 3,785 liters (1,000 gallons) or less of diesel fuel.

S. 1497

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1497, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend for 3 years reasonable cost contracts under Medicare.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1701

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1701, a bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1878

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1878, a bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care.

S. 1908

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1908, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organization, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2047

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 2047, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make demonstration grants to eligible local educational agencies for the purpose of reducing the student-to-school nurse ratio in public elementary schools and secondary schools.

S. 2069

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2069, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, to save American families and the Federal and State governments money, and to help family caregivers.

S. 2074

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2074, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2245

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] and the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2245, a bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States.

S. 2276

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2276, a bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court.

S. 2277

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2277, a bill to respond to the extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions resulting from pine beetle infestation, drought, disease, or storm damage by declaring a state of emergency and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to immediately implement hazardous fuels reduction projects in the manner provided in title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

S. 2299

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2299, a bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of civil relief to members of the uniformed services and to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of such members, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3048

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3048, a bill to provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system, and for other purposes.

S. 3083

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3083, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from

Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. CANTWELL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 15, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform: What It Could Mean for Tribes and Territories."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "The High Cost of High Prices for HIV/AIDS Drugs and the Prize Fund Alternative" on May 15, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 15, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 15, 2012, at 2:15 p.m., in room SD-562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled: "Missed by the Recovery: Solving the Long-Term Unemployment Crisis for Older Workers."

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CASEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 460) designating the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012, as "National Public Works Week", submitted today by Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. INHOFE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING TEACHERS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATION

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 461) recognizing the teachers of the United States for their contributions to the development and progress of our Nation, submitted today by Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WARNER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. COONS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. KOHL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by hum, there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on motions to proceed to consider budget resolutions, as pursuant to the order of today; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:36 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to

extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER CERTAIN BUDGET RESOLUTIONS, EN BLOC

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate motions to proceed to consider, en bloc, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 41) setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 112) establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 37) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022, the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 42) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022, and the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 44) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; and

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to consider the motions, en bloc.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 44.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 41.

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 0, nays... 99

[Rollcall Vote No. 97 Leg.]

NAYS --- 99

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution H. Con. Res. 112.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 41, nays... 58

[Rollcall Vote No. 98 Leg.]

YEAS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 37.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CONRAD,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 42, nays... 57

[Rollcall Vote No. 99 Leg.]

YEAS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 42.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CONRAD,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 16, nays... 83

[Rollcall Vote No. 100 Leg.]

YEAS --- 16

Barrasso, Coburn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Hatch, Johnson (WI), Lee, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Vitter.

NAYS --- 83

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question recurring on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 44.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 17, nays... 82

[Rollcall Vote No. 101 Leg.]

YEAS --- 17

Barrasso, Coats, Coburn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Grassley, Hatch, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Lee, Moran, Paul, Risch, Sessions, Thune, Vitter.

NAYS --- 82

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

Motions to reconsider were considered made and laid on the table, en bloc.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2343

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CASEY,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO YEMEN -- PM 48

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") declaring a national emergency with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States posed by the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Yemen and others to threaten Yemen's peace, security, and stability.

The order does not target the entire country of Yemen or its government, but rather targets those who threaten the peace, security, or stability of Yemen, including by obstructing the implementation of the agreement of November 23, 2011, between the Government of Yemen and those in opposition to it, which provides for a peaceful transition of power that meets the legitimate demands and aspirations of the Yemeni people for change, or by obstructing the political process in Yemen. The order provides criteria for the blocking of property and interests in property of persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to: have engaged in acts that directly or indirectly threaten the peace, security, or stability of Yemen, such as acts that obstruct the implementation of the agreement of November 23, 2011, between the Government of Yemen and those in opposition to it, which provides for a peaceful transition of power in Yemen, or that obstruct the political process in Yemen; be a political or military leader of an entity that has engaged in the acts described above; have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of, the acts described above or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order; or be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order.

The designation criteria will be applied in accordance with applicable Federal law including, where appropriate, the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

I have delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the authority to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order. All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

BARACK OBAMA,
THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 16, 2012.*

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2415. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the "Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building".

H.R. 3220. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the "Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office".

H.R. 3413. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office".

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3188. A bill to increase the authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Civil Support Teams; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 3189. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN:

S. 3190. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 3191. A bill to improve provisions of title 23, United States Code relating to the use of HOV facilities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 3192. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act by establishing an F-4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing an advanced degree in mathematics, engineering, technology, or the physical sciences in the United States, to authorize such aliens to become permanent residents if they obtain employment in the United States related to their field of study, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3193. A bill to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3194. A bill to require the establishment of a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 3195. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fishing reels; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. Res. 462. A resolution recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges faced by children in the foster care system, acknowledging the dedication of foster care parents, advocates, and workers, and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. Res. 463. A resolution designating May 19, 2012, as "National Kids to Parks Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. THUNE):

S. Res. 464. A resolution commemorating the 70th anniversary of Ellsworth Air Force Base; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. Res. 465. A resolution recognizing that the Governor of the State of Colorado has proclaimed 2012 as the "Year of Water"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 577

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify eligibility for the child tax credit.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2241

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2241, a bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2245

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2245, a bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2296

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2296, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for

advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2554

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2554, a bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 3180

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 3180, a bill to require the Department of Defense to develop a plan to track and respond to incidents of hazing in the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

SENATE RESOLUTION 429

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 429, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION 434

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 434, a resolution supporting the goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by the year 2025, as articulated in the draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease from the Department of Health and Human Services.

SENATE RESOLUTION 446

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 446, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations should not be allowed to exercise control over the Internet.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 16, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Oversight of the Federal Communications Commission."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 16, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Identifying Opportunities for Health Care Delivery System Reform: Lessons from the Front Line" on May 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 16, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on May 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Subcommittee on Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 16, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled, "Growing Long-Term Value: Corporate Environmental Responsibility and Innovation."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:33 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4045. An act to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

At 2:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 205. An act to amend the Act titled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases", approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes.

H.R. 365. An act to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

H.R. 1864. An act to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States.

H.R. 3534. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3874. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota.

H.R. 4240. An act to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 note), as amended, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2014: Mr. Elliot Abrams of Virginia.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 205. An act to amend the Act titled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases", approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 1864. An act to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 3534. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3874. "To provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota."; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4240. An act to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CASEY,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 10:30 a.m., on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Jeremy C. Stein, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; that there be 90 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for concurrent debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that each nomination receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be confirmed; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be notified of the Senate's action; that the motions to bring to a close debate on the nominations be withdrawn; and that the Senate resume its legislative session.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY"

On the request of Mr. CASEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 463) designating May 19, 2012, as "National Kids to Parks Day", submitted today by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. PORTMAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE

On the request of Mr. CASEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 464) commemorating the 70th anniversary of Ellsworth Air Force Base, submitted today by Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. THUNE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING PROCLAMATION OF THE "YEAR OF WATER"

On the request of Mr. CASEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 465) recognizing that the Governor of the State of Colorado has proclaimed 2012 as the "Year of Water", submitted today by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself and Mr. BENNET), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED; BILL REFERRED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CASEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2947) to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota; and that the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CASEY,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CASEY,

At 6:56 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 10:30 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Paul J. Watford, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

The motion was agreed to; and

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187:

HARRY REID, JEFF BINGAMAN, J. LIEBERMAN, AMY KLOBUCHAR, PATTY MURRAY, MARK BEGICH, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BEN NELSON, PATRICK LEAHY, KENT CONRAD, TIM JOHNSON, SHERROD BROWN, BEN CARDIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, JOHN KERRY, DANIEL K. AKAKA, TOM HARKIN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 1905

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1905) to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute, being the text of bill S. 2101) be proposed by Mr. REID; that an amendment thereto be proposed by Mr. REID, and agreed to; that the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. KYL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO BURMA -- PM 49

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report and papers; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared on May 20, 1997, is to continue in effect beyond May 20, 2012.

The Burmese government has made progress in a number of areas including releasing hundreds of political prisoners, pursuing cease-fire talks with several armed ethnic groups, and pursuing a substantive dialogue with Burma's leading pro-democracy opposition party. The United States is committed to supporting Burma's reform effort, but the situation in Burma continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States.

Burma has made important strides, but the political opening is nascent, and we continue to have concerns, including remaining political prisoners, ongoing conflict, and serious human rights abuses in ethnic areas. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to Burma and to maintain in force the sanctions that respond to this threat.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 17, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6123. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propylene oxide; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 9346-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6124. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acetone; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9344-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6125. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluxapyroxad; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9346-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6126. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Penflufen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9341-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6127. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation 2011 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6128. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6129. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Department of Defense Report to Congress on the Findings of the Logistics Management Institute Study 'Future Capability of DoD Maintenance Depots'"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6130. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6131. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Enhancement of Electricity Market Surveillance and Analysis through Ongoing Electronic Delivery of Data from Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators" (RIN1902-AE43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6132. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Records Checks for Individuals Seeking Unescorted Access to Non-power Reactors (Research and Test Reactors)" (RIN3150-AI25), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6133. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Federal Implementation Plans to Reduce Interstate Transport of Fine Particulate Matter and Ozone" (FRL No. 9671-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6134. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality: Widespread Use for Onboard Refueling Vapor Recovery and Stage II Waiver" (FRL No. 9671-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6135. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Incorporation by Reference of Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9652-9a), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6136. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Permit to Construct Exemptions" (FRL No. 9671-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6137. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Amendments to the Control of Nitrogen Oxides Emissions from Industrial Boilers and Process Heaters at Petroleum Refineries" (FRL No. 9671-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6138. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9670-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6139. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: Nonattainment Area Classifications Approach, Attainment Deadlines and Revocation of the 1997 Ozone Standards for Transportation Conformity Purposes" (FRL No. 9667-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of

the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6140. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Revocation of TSCA Section 4 Testing Requirements for One High Production Volume Chemical Substance" (FRL No. 9350-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6141. A communication from the Acting Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Progress in Implementing Chapter 16 (Labor) and Capacity-Building under the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6142. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Mortgage Insurance Premiums" ((RIN1545-BH84)(TD 9588)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6143. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modifications to Definition of United States Property" ((RIN1545-BK11)(TD 9589)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6144. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Price Inflation Adjustments for Contribution Limitations Made to a Health Savings Account Pursuant to Section 223 of the Internal Revenue Code" (Rev. Proc. 2012-26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 14, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6145. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Reform of Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Conditions of Participation" (RIN0938-AQ89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6146. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Program: Regulatory Provisions to Promote Program Efficiency, Transparency, and Burden Reduction" (RIN0938-AQ96), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6147. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011 annual report on voting practices in the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6148. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Determination and Certification under Section 40A of the Arms Export Control Act relative to countries not cooperating fully with United States antiterrorism efforts; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6149. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to amendment to parts 120 and 123 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6150. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to amendment to part 123 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6151. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed revision to part 121 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6152. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Head Start Monitoring for Fiscal Year 2009"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6153. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Sterility Test Requirements for Biological Products" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0080), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6154. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Loss Ratio Requirements under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (RIN0938-AR41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6155. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-59, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6156. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Free Trade Agreement-Colombia" ((RIN9000-AM24)(FAC 2005-59)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6157. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Revision of Cost Accounting Standards Threshold" ((RIN9000-AM25)(FAC 2005-59)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6158. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations" ((RIN9000-AM22)-(FAC 2005-59)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6159. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress;

Second Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6160. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement" ((RIN0750-AH69)-(DFARS Case 2012-D025)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment:

S. 676. A bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes (Rept. No. 112-166).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2554. A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3196. A bill to establish the National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3197. A bill to reauthorize the women's business center program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3198. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to improve the entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COONS, Mr. HELLER, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LEE, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 3199. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3200. A bill to require the Small Business Administration to submit a regular National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 3201. A bill to reform graduate medical education payments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. BURR, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3202. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3203. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CORKER, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3204. A bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3205. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that persons renouncing citizenship for a substantial tax avoidance purpose shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains, to provide that such persons shall not be admissible to the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3206. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay a monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team and the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide assistance to United States Paralympics, Inc., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. Res. 466. A resolution calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 467. A resolution designating May 18, 2012, as "Endangered Species Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 438

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 438, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve women's health by prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women.

S. 547

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 547, a bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish an award program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education.

S. 595

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 595, a bill to amend title VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to complete payments under such title to local educational agencies eligible for such payments within 3 fiscal years.

S. 693

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 693, a bill to establish a term certain for the conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, to provide conditions for continued

operation of such enterprises, and to provide for the wind down of such operations and dissolution of such enterprises.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2226

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2226, a bill to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other financial assistance under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity carried out outside the United States, including the territories and possessions of the United States.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2250

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3083

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3083, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 380

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 380, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability.

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 380, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Social Security Administration: Is it Meeting its Responsibilities to Save Taxpayer Dollars and Serve the Public?"

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Fulfilling the Federal Trust Responsibility: The Foundation of the Government-to-Government Relationship."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, ATMOSPHERE, FISHERIES, AND THE COAST GUARD

The Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and the Coast Guard of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a meeting during the session of the Senate on May 17, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Stemming the Tide: The U.S. Response to Tsunami Generated Marine Debris."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:26 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2621. An act to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2745. An act to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada.

H.R. 4119. An act to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.

At 3:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4967. An act to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. TOM UDALL).

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2621. An act to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2745. An act to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

DESIGNATING THE "TROOPER JOSHUA D. MILLER POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2415) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the "Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "MASTER SERGEANT DANIEL L. FEDDER POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3220) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the "Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "PRIVATE ISAAC T. CORTES POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3413) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MODIFYING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROGRAM GUIDANCE RELATIVE TO CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE ABSENCE DAYS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4045) to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BORDER TUNNEL PREVENTION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4119) to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARKS BACKCOUNTRY ACCESS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 4849) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2112, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That the injunction of secrecy be removed from Treaty Documents 112-5, 112-6, 112-7, and 112-8, received from the President on today.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Paul J. Watford, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination.

Ordered further, That, if said motion to bring to a close debate is not agreed to, the Senate resume its legislative session, and vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 4:47 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2012.

MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012

Mr. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN, from the State of Maryland, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. CARDIN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, May 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BENJAMIN L. CARDIN, a Senator from the State of Maryland, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. CARDIN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 17, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 17, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That the order of Thursday, May 17, 2012 be modified such that the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Paul J. Watford, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, be withdrawn; and that the remaining provisions of said order remain in effect.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 17, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of its executive business (involving one rollcall Vote), during which the following occurred:

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3187

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187 be withdrawn; that, at 2:15 p.m. on tomorrow, the motion to proceed be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be considered proposed by Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI), and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

IRAN THREAT REDUCTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1905) to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That an amendment (Numbered 2123, in the nature of a substitute, being the text of bill S. 2101), be considered proposed by him; that an amendment (Numbered 2124) thereto be considered proposed by Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY), and agreed to; and that the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as thus amended, be agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 18, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2072. An act to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4045. An act to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were signed on May 18, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO THE STABILIZATION OF IRAQ-- PM 50

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication continuing the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq. This notice states that the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, as modified in scope and relied upon for additional steps taken in Executive Order 13315 of August 28, 2003, Executive Order 13350 of July 29, 2004, Executive Order 13364 of November 29, 2004, and Executive Order 13438 of July 17, 2007, is to continue in effect beyond May 22, 2012.

Obstacles to the orderly reconstruction of Iraq, the restoration and maintenance of peace and security in the country, and the development of political, administrative, and economic institutions in Iraq continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. Accordingly, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to this threat and maintain in force the measures taken to deal with that national emergency.

Recognizing positive developments in Iraq, my Administration will continue to evaluate Iraq's progress in resolving outstanding debts and claims arising from actions of the previous regime, so that I may determine whether to further continue the prohibitions contained in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, as amended by Executive Order 13364 of November 29, 2004, on any attachment, judgment, decree, lien, execution, garnishment, or other judicial process with respect to the Development Fund for Iraq, the accounts, assets, and property held by the Central Bank of Iraq, and Iraqi petroleum-related products, which are in addition to the sovereign immunity accorded Iraq under otherwise applicable law.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 18, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6161. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "MARPOL Annex V Special Areas: Wider Caribbean Region" ((RIN1625-AB76)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0187)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6162. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Standard Numbering System, Vessel Identification System, and Boating Accident Report Database" ((RIN1625-AB45)(Docket No. USCG-2003-14963)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6163. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seagoing Barges - Correcting Amendment" ((RIN1625-AB71)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0363)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6164. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Zidell Waterfront Property, Willamette River, OR" ((RIN1625-AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0254)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6165. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Pacific Sound Resources and Lockheed Shipyard EPA Superfund Cleanup Sites, Elliott Bay, Seattle, WA" ((RIN1625-AA11)-(Docket No. USCG-2010-1145)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6166. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Wells, ME" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0231)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6167. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations: Subpart A - Special Anchorage Regulations, Newport Bay Harbor, CA" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2010-0929)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6168. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Innovation in the Broadcast Television Bands: Allocations, Channel Sharing and Improvements to VHF" (ET Docket No. 10-235; FCC 12-45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6169. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standardized and Enhanced Disclosure Requirements for Television Broadcast Licensee Public Interest Obligations; Extension of the Filing Requirement For Children's Television Programming Report" (MB Docket Nos. 00-168 and 00-44; FCC 12-44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6170. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0959)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6171. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Closure of the Trimester 1 Longfin Squid Fishery" (RIN0648-XB145), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6172. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/processors Using Trawl Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB174), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6173. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial and Recreational Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Actions Nos. 1, 2, and 3" (RIN0648-XB120), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6174. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BC02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6175. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XC002), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6176. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB176), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6177. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB119), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6178. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; 2012 Atlantic Bluefish Specifications" (RIN0648-XA904), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6179. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shrimp Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Revisions of Bycatch Reduction Device Testing Protocols" (RIN0648-BB61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6180. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; Final 2012 Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Specifications" (RIN0648-XA795), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6181. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern

United States; 2012-2013 Northeast Skate Complex Fishery Specifications" (RIN0648-BB83), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6182. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Procurement, Defense-Wide, account 97*0300 during fiscal years 2004 through 2010 and was assigned United States Special Operations Command case number 09-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6183. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, (62) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Defense, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6184. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Cooperative Biological Engagement Program (CBEP) Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 1303(a)(1) and (2) of the NDAA for FY 2012"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6185. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6186. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Certain Industrial Equipment: Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedures for Commercial Heating, Air-Conditioning, and Water-Heating Equipment" (RIN1904-AC47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6187. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transmission Planning Reliability Standards" (Docket No. RM11-18-000), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6188. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Trails System Act and Railroad Rights-of-Way" (RIN2140-AB04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6189. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aging Management of Stainless Steel Structures and Components in Treated Borated Water" (LR-ISG-2011-01), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6190. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Filing a Renewed License Application" (Docket No. PRM-54-6; NRC-2010-0291), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6191. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a report entitled "OSRE-RCRA 9003(h) Corrective Action Model Unilateral Order for LUST Enforcement"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6192. A communication from the Acting Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual reports that appeared in the March 2012 Treasury Bulletin; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6193. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food" (Docket No. FDA-1999-F-0021), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6194. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labeling and Effectiveness Testing; Sunscreen Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Delay of Compliance Dates" (Docket No. FDA-1978-N-0018), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6195. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from at the Clinton Engineer Works in Oakridge, Tennessee, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6196. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Electro Metallurgical site in Niagara Falls, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6197. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from Hangar 481 on the premises of Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6198. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Upton, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6199. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6200. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the ninth annual report for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6201. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report on the Status of Audits for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6202. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6203. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Financial

Assistance, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disaster Assistance Loan Program; Maximum Term for Disaster Loans to Small Businesses with Credit Available Elsewhere" (RIN3245-AG42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6204. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Transportation and Warehousing" (RIN3245-AG08), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

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

Special Report entitled "Inquiry into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Department of Defense Supply Chain" (Rept. No. 112-167).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3207. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3208. A bill to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3209. A bill to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3210. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the treatment under contracting goals and preferences of the Department of Veterans Affairs for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 3211. A bill to authorize the President to determine the appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on the national security and foreign policy objectives of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 468. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to childhood stroke and recognizing May as "National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. Res. 469. A resolution honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small business concerns in the United States during National Small Business Week, which begins on May 20, 2012; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 507

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 507, a bill to provide for increased Federal oversight of prescription opioid treatment and assistance to States in reducing opioid abuse, diversion, and deaths.

S. 1507

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1507, a bill to provide protections from workers with respect to their right to select or refrain from selecting representation by a labor organization.

S. 1551

At the request of Mr. KIRK, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1551, a bill to establish a smart card pilot program under the Medicare program.

S. 1578

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1578, a bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act with respect to consumer confidence reports by community water systems.

S. 1696

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1696, a bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

S. 1749

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1749, a bill to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1878

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1878, a bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 2047

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2047, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make demonstration grants to eligible local educational agencies for the purpose of reducing the student-to-school

nurse ratio in public elementary schools and secondary schools.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2116

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the names of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 2116, a bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

S. 2138

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2138, a bill to establish a pilot program to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and project delivery efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for authorized civil works flood control and navigation construction projects of the Corps of Engineers.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3048

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3048, a bill to provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system, and for other purposes.

S. 3188

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3188, a bill to increase the authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "A National Security Crisis: Foreign Language Capabilities in the Federal Government."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4970. An act to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

H.R. 5740. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4849) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276I, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Mr. PETRI of Wisconsin, Mr. CRENSHAW of Florida, Mr. LATTA of Ohio, and Mr. ADERHOLT of Alabama.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 703(c) of the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 (50 U.S.C. 435 note), and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Public Interest Declassification Board for a term of 3 years: Admiral William O. Studeman of Great Falls, VA.

HOUSE BILLS PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4970. An act to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

H.R. 5740. An act to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

RECOGNIZING "NATIONAL PEDIATRIC STROKE AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 468) expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to childhood stroke and recognizing May as "National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month", submitted today by Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. CHAMBLISS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT DURING NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 469) honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small business concerns in the United States during National Small Business Week, which begins on May 20, 2012, submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. MERKLEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER

CONGRESSIONAL AWARD BOARD

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, as amended, had appointed the following individuals to the Congressional Award Board: Michael Schmid, of Wyoming, Cheryl D. Maddox, of Kentucky, and Charmaine Yoest, of Virginia.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that, following remarks by him, there be one hour equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:53 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012

Mrs. JEANNE SHAHEEN, from the State of New Hampshire, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. SHAHEEN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, May 22, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEANNE SHAHEEN, a Senator from the State of New Hampshire, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. SHAHEEN took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 577

Mr. VITTER asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of the bill (S. 577) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify eligibility for the child tax credit; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

After debate,

Mr. REID objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday that the Senate agree to the pending motion to proceed at 2:15 p.m., the Senate proceed, as pursuant to said order of yesterday, at 4 p.m.; and that the remaining provisions of the order of yesterday then remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday that the Senate agree to the pending motion to proceed at 2:15 p.m., the Senate instead proceed, as pursuant to said order of yesterday, at 11 a.m. on tomorrow; and that the remaining provisions of the order of yesterday then remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, of South Dakota, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3215. An original bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-168).

By Ms. LANDRIEU, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3216. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-169).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3212. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promulgate regulations regarding the authorship, content, format, and dissemination of Patient Medication Information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about their prescription medications and are aware of the potential risks and benefits of prescription medications; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3213. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3214. A bill to strengthen entrepreneurial education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

S. 3215. An original bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3216. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. COONS, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 3217. A bill to jump-start the economic recovery through the formation and growth of new businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 3218. A bill to improve the coordination of export promotion programs and to facilitate export opportunities for small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3219. A bill to restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal reserve banks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. INOUYE):

S. 3220. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. RISCH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LEE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 3221. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees; read the first time.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3222. A bill to establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 557

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes.

S. 577

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify eligibility for the child tax credit.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 865

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 865, a bill to provide grants to promote financial literacy.

S. 1281

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1281, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the transportation of horses in interstate transportation in a motor vehicle containing two or more levels stacked on top of one another.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms.

CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1734

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1734, a bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1904

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1904, a bill to provide information on total spending on means-tested welfare programs, to provide additional work requirements, and to provide an overall spending limit on means-tested welfare programs.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1963

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1963, a bill to revoke the charters for the Federal National Mortgage Corporation and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation upon resolution of their obligations, to create a new Mortgage Finance Agency for the securitization of single family and multifamily mortgages, and for other purposes.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 2032

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2032, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2156

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2156, a bill to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, to set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2194

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2194, a bill to award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2282

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2282, a bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2296

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2296, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3053

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] were

added as cosponsors of S. 3053, a bill to require Regional Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

S. 3078

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3078, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

S. 3210

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3210, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the treatment under contracting goals and preferences of the Department of Veterans Affairs for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 40, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to the deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals.

SENATE RESOLUTION 455

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 455, a resolution designating June 27, 2012, as "National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Implementing Derivatives Reform: Reducing Systemic Risk and Improving Market Oversight."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

The Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 3:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 2 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 5 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 11 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

The Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 22, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3220) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes, introduced today by Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. INOUYE), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3221) to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees, introduced today by Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. RISCH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LEE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. COBURN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that there then be one hour equally divided and controlled for debate between the majority and the minority; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that the majority control the time for debate from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:27 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 23, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3220) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. REID, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. INOUYE), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3221) to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees, introduced on yesterday by Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. RISCH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. LEE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. COBURN), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, as modified yesterday, that the Senate agree to the pending motion to proceed at 11 a.m. on today, the Senate instead proceed, as pursuant to said order, as modified, at 12:30 p.m. on today; that the majority leader be recognized prior thereto; and that the remaining provisions of the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, as modified, that the Senate agree to the pending motion to proceed at 12:30 p.m. on today, the Senate instead proceed, as pursuant to said order, as modified, at 2:15 p.m. on today; that the majority leader be recognized prior thereto; and that the remaining provisions of the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

The hour of 2:15 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, as modified,

The motion to proceed was agreed to.

Whereupon,

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND INNOVATION ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CARDIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ENZI) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2122, in the nature of a substitute).

Pursuant to the order of Monday, May 21, 2012, as modified,

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to be proposed to the bill, as amended; and that each be modified, as indicated:

An amendment (Numbered 2111), intended to be proposed by Mr. BINGAMAN;

An amendment (Numbered 2107), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;

An amendment (Numbered 2109), intended to be proposed by Mr. SANDERS;

An amendment (Numbered 2108), intended to be proposed by Ms. MURKOWSKI;

Two amendments (Numbered 2125 and 2141), intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN;

Two amendments (Numbered 2121 and 2129), intended to be proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY;

An amendment (Numbered 2151), intended to be proposed by Mr. MANCHIN, as modified;

Two amendments (Numbered 2146 and 2145), intended to be proposed by Mr. PORTMAN, as modified;

An amendment (Numbered 2126), intended to be proposed by Mr. REED;

Two amendments (Numbered 2132 and 2131), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

An amendment (Numbered 2127), intended to be proposed by Mr. DURBIN;

An amendment (Numbered 2143), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL; and

An amendment (Numbered 2130), intended to be proposed by Mr. BURR.

Ordered further, That no second-degree amendment be in order; that Budget points of order, motions to waive in relation thereto, and motions to table be in order; that no other amendment, motion, or point of order be in order to the amendments or bill prior to the votes; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on each amendment; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on amendment No. 2107; and that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on the bill.

Ordered further, That, at 2 p.m., on tomorrow, time for debate be concluded; that the Senate then vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, prior to each vote; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that the following amendments each receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to: amendment No. 2111; amendment No. 2107; amendment No. 2109; and amendment No. 2108; that, upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2343

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, on tomorrow, upon disposition of bill S. 3187, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; that an amendment (being the text of bill S. 2366), intended to be proposed by the minority leader, or his designee, be the only amendment in order to be proposed to the bill; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the amendment and the bill; that no amendment be in order thereto; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the amendment; that the amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that Budget points of order, and motions to waive in relation thereto, be in order; that no other motion or point of order be in order; that, upon disposition of the amendment, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be passed; and that, if the bill does not so pass, it then be returned to the calendar.

Ordered further, That the motion, entered by Mr. REID on Tuesday, May 8, 2012, to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2343, be withdrawn.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND INNOVATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3187.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2127).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the time in debate consumed by Mr. HATCH be counted against time in opposition to the pending amendment, as pursuant to the order of today.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2127 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. SANDERS to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2109).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. BURR) to further amend the bill, in title VII, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2131).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. BURR) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2132).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. GRASSLEY to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2129).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. GRASSLEY to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2121).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. COBURN) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2130).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LEAHY, and Ms. CANTWELL) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2108).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. CARDIN to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2125).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2141).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2143).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER) to further amend the bill, in subtitle C of title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2151).

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mr. MANCHIN modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2151, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN (for Mr. REED) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2126).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2143 to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the question recur on agreeing to the following amendments, en bloc; and that each be agreed to: amendments Numbered 2125, 2141, 2121, 2129, and 2151, as modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2143 to the bill, as amended.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6205. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohydrojasmon; Amendment of Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9347-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6206. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Natamycin; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9349-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6207. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "1, 2-Ethanediamine, N1-(2-aminoethyl)-, polymer with 2, 4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9349-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6208. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2,6-Diisopropylnaphthalene (2,6-DIPN) and its metabolites and degradates; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9350-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6209. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral and an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6210. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Richard K. Gallagher, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6211. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2012 Report to Congress on Sustainable Ranges"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6212. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13405 with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6213. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress on the Profitability of Credit Card Operations of Depository Institutions"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6214. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 98th Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Board covering operations for calendar year 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6215. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6216. A communication from the Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, proposed legislation to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6217. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation in the position of Administrator, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6218. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Virginia Regulatory Program" (Docket No. VA-126-FOR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 21, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6219. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management

Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Portion of York County, South Carolina within Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, North Carolina-South Carolina 1997 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Ozone 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9673-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6220. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oregon: Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9673-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6221. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9674-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6222. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maine; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9673-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6223. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Baltimore Nonattainment Area Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard" (FRL No. 9674-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6224. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Vermont; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9674-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6225. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: The 2012 Critical Use Exemption from the Phaseout of Methyl Bromide" (FRL No. 9668-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6226. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 17, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6227. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, certification for the export of defense articles, to include technical data, and defense services related to the export of firearms to the Assistant Inspector General (Training), Special Protection Group of India in the amount of $1,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6228. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, or defense services sold commercially under contract to the Australian Government for installation of AN/PRC-150 and AN/PRC-152 Falcon Radio Systems in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6229. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing assistance agreement to include the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom for the manufacture of C-17 Globemaster III Transport Aircraft, Wing Trailing Edge Panels and Flap Hinge Fairings in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6230. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a technical assistance agreement to Mexico for the sale of T-6C Trainer Aircraft in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6231. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Mexico for the manufacture of T-16B Inertial Sensor Assemblies (ISAs) and Accelerometer with Higher Level Triad Assembly and associated Circuit Card Assemblies in the amount of $50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6232. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a technical assistance agreement to New Zealand for the sale of 11 SH-2G(I) helicopters in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6233. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6234. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement for the sale and export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the Kingdom of Brunei for delivery, operation and maintenance of 12 Sikorsky S-70i helicopters with an option to purchase an additional 10 Sikorsky S-70i helicopters in the amount of $100,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6235. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the notification that groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations will be published in the Federal Register; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6236. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a technical assistance agreement to Canada for the manufacture of aft and forward landing gear assemblies, subassemblies, parts and components for the CH-47/MH-47 Chinook Helicopter in the amount of $50,000,000 or

more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6237. A communication from the Chair, Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to recommendations for improving federally and privately funded Alzheimer's programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6238. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6239. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disaster Assistance; Crisis Counseling Regular Program; Amendment to Regulation" ((RIN1660-AA23)(Docket No. FEMA-2010-0064)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6240. A communication from the Under Secretary and Director, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Requirements for Specimens and for Affidavits or Declarations of Continued Use or Excusable Nonuse in Trademark Cases" (RIN0651-AC49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 18, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 414. A bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-170).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2276. A bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3223. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the reduction in the recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 3224. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3225. A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3226. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an income tax credit for eldercare expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 3227. A bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COATS, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. VITTER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 3228. A bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 3229. A bill to develop a model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 3230. A bill to require issuers of long term care insurance to establish third-party review processes for disputed claims; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 3231. A bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service to support effective programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3232. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3233. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. REID, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. TESTER):

S. Res. 470. A resolution designating July 28, 2012, as "National Day of the American Cowboy"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 471. A resolution commending the efforts of the women of the American Red Cross Clubmobiles for exemplary service during the Second World War; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr.

CONRAD], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 930

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 930, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the same capital gains treatment for art and collectibles as for other investment property and to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 2076

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2168

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2168, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2257

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2257, a bill to increase access to community behavioral health services for all Americans and to improve Medicaid reimbursement for community behavioral health services.

S. 2276

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2276, a bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court.

S. 2288

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2288, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers.

S. 2554

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2554, a bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3049, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 3083

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3083, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

S. 3205

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3205, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that persons renouncing citizenship for a substantial tax avoidance purpose shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains, to provide that such persons shall not be admissible to the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 40, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to the deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions

and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Progress in Health Care Delivery: Innovations from the Field."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103-39): The U.S. National Security and Strategy Imperatives for Ratification."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Secret Service on the Line: Restoring Trust and Confidence."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on May 23, 2012, to conduct a hearing on "Seamless Transition: Review of the Integrated Disability Evaluation System." The Committee will meet in room SD-562 of the Senate Dirksen Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT AND THE COURTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on May 23, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Protecting Our Children—The Importance of Training Child Protection Professionals."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCE

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Reviewing the U.S.—China Strategic and Economic Dialogue."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

The Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 23, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

21ST CENTURY LANGUAGE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 2367) to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER REAUTHORIZATION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4097) to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on May 8, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, on recommendation of the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, Public Law 107-228, and Public Law 112-75 had appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Mary Ann Glendon, of Massachusetts.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 3187, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:39 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND INNOVATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2143, proposed by Mr. PAUL, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2107).

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2107 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were considered laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. HARKIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines, on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Mr. LEAHY, amendment No. 2142, as modified; and Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) amendment No. 2145, as modified.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN for Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. REED) to further amend the bill, in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2146).

Mr. HARKIN, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2146, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the question recur on agreeing to amendment No. 2131, proposed by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. BURR); and that the amendment be agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2146, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the question recur on agreeing to amendment No. 2132, proposed by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. BURR); and that the amendment be withdrawn.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2146, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2107 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KOHL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. SANDERS) to further amend the bill, in title IX, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2111).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, the Senate vote in relation to amendments Numbered 2111, 2108, and 2143 at 12:05 p.m. on today; and that other provisions of the order of yesterday remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2111 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 28, nays... 67

[Rollcall Vote No. 105 Leg.]

YEAS --- 28

Akaka, Bingaman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Conrad, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Kohl, Levin, McCain, Merkley, Pryor, Reed, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 67

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Warner, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2108, proposed by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. MURRAY), to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, as modified, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to amendment No. 2143 at 1:55 p.m. on today.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2108 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 50

[Rollcall Vote No. 106 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Boxer, Cantwell, Cardin, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Durbin, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Johnson (SD), Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Portman, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 50

Alexander, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Franken, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (NE), Paul, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2107 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2143 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. HARKIN to lay the pending amendment on the table.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 78, nays... 15

[Rollcall Vote No. 107 Leg.]

YEAS --- 78

Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 15

Ayotte, Boozman, Coburn, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Paul, Risch, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2107 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 108 Leg.]

YEAS --- 43

Begich, Bingaman, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cardin, Collins, Conrad, DeMint, Feinstein, Franken, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Kohl, Leahy, Lee, Levin, McCain, McCaskill, Merkley, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Blunt, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McConnell, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Tester, Udall (CO), Warner, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2109, proposed by Mr. SANDERS, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 9, nays... 88

[Rollcall Vote No. 109 Leg.]

YEAS --- 9

Bennet, Brown (OH), Durbin, Franken, Levin, McCain, Sanders, Schumer, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 88

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BURR,

Ordered, That the question recur on agreeing to his amendment No. 2130; and that it be withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2127, proposed by Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL), to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN to lay the pending amendment on the table.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 77, nays... 20

[Rollcall Vote No. 110 Leg.]

YEAS --- 77

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 20

Baucus, Bingaman, Boxer, Cardin, Conrad, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Klobuchar, Lautenberg, Leahy, McCaskill, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Webb.

So the motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

No further amendment being in order to be proposed,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 96, nays... 1

[Rollcall Vote No. 111 Leg.]

YEAS --- 96

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 1

Sanders.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

STOP THE STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE HIKE ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2343) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent, that upon disposition of pending bill S. 2343, a bill, relative to current student loan rates, intended to be introduced by Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. ENZI, be the pending business; and that no other motion to proceed be in order, absent the agreement of the two leaders, until said bill is disposed of.

Mr. REID objected.

STOP THE STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE HIKE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2343.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. MCCONNELL for Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. HOEVEN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2153, in the nature of a substitute).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CONRAD,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 34, nays... 62

[Rollcall Vote No. 112 Leg.]

YEAS --- 34

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Isakson, Johanns, Kyl, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Conrad, Coons, Corker, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

Ms. SNOWE, when her name was called, answered "present".

So the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. HARKIN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. HARKIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM EXTENSION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 5740) to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. TIM JOHNSON) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2154, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

STOP THE STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE HIKE ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 2343.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. CORKER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 51, nays... 43

[Rollcall Vote No. 113 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 43

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

Ms. SNOWE, when her name was called, answered "present".

So the bill did not pass (the bill not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of yesterday).

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote by which the bill was not passed.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, May 23, 2012,

The bill was returned to the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3220

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3220) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3220:

B. A. MIKULSKI, HARRY REID, MARIA CANTWELL, PATTY MURRAY, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, JEFF BINGAMAN, S. WHITEHOUSE, JOHN KERRY, KENT CONRAD, JEANNE SHAHEEN, BERNARD SANDERS, TOM UDALL, AMY KLOBUCHAR, CARL LEVIN, MARK R. WARNER, JACK REED, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that, at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3220.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 5652

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 5652) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2013; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 1925, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 4970

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 4970) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 1925, as passed, with a modification striking sections 805 and 810 be inserted in lieu thereof; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, in a ratio agreed upon by the two leaders, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. REID objected.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6241. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners" (RIN2126-AB97), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6242. A communication from the Associate Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Commission's Rules Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Mobile Handsets" (WT Docket No. 07-250; DA 12-550), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6243. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; 2012 Management Measures" (RIN0648-XA921), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6244. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; 2012 Sector Operations Plans and Contracts, and Allocation of Northeast Multispecies Annual Catch Entitlements" (RIN0648-XA797), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6245. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Interim Action; Republication" (RIN0648-BB89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6246. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Category IIIa, IIIb, and IIIc Definitions; Delay of Effective Date and Reopening of Comment Period" ((RIN2120-AK03)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0019)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6247. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation for Composite Rotorcraft Structures, and Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation for Metallic Structures; Correction" ((RIN2120-AJ51, 2120-AJ52)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0660)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6248. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Positive Train Control Systems (RRR)" (RIN2130-AC27), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6249. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Areas R-5801 and R-5803; Chambersburg, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0174)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6250. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Lamar, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1262)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6251. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Hastings, NE" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0499)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6252. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Tobe, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1338)),

received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6253. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Springfield, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1247)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6254. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Willcox, AZ, and Revocation of Class E Airspace; Cochise, AZ" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1314)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6255. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Boyne City, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0828)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6256. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Marion, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0590)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6257. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Class E Airspace; Southport, NC, and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Oak Island, NC" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1148)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6258. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (12); Amdt. No. 3475" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6259. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (144); Amdt. No. 3474" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6260. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (39); Amdt. No. 3473" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6261. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (53); Amdt. No. 3472" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6262. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Piseco, NY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0726)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6263. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2007-27023)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6264. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0566)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6265. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0297)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6266. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1164)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6267. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0295)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6268. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2094)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6269. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0018), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6270. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; DG Flugzeugbau GmbH Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0017)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6271. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation

Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0821)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6272. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1226)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6273. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1088)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6274. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0110)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6275. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0033)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6276. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0010)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6277. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-20)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6278. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Learjet Inc." ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1069)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6279. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1223)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6280. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Learjet Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1258)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6281. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0644)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6282. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0330)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6283. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1115)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6284. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0409)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6285. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; 328 Support Services GmbH Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1318)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6286. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Goodrich Evacuation Systems Approved Under Technical Standard Order (TSO) TSO-C69b and Installed on Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0223)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6287. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2011 Status of U.S. Fisheries"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6288. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acibenzolar-S-methyl; Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9349-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6289. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Office of the General Counsel, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Definition of 'Swap Dealer,' 'Security-Based Swap Dealer,' 'Major Swap Participant,' 'Major Security-Based Swap Participant' and 'Eligible Contract Participant'" (RIN3235-

AK65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6290. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Corrosion Budget Materials Report"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6291. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Defense Production Act Annual Fund Report for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6292. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6293. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contracting with the Canadian Commercial Corporation" ((RIN0750-AH42)(DFARS Case 2011-D049)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 21, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6294. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month report on the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13159 relative to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6295. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (6) reports relative to vacancies within the Department, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6296. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6297. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6298. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6299. A communication from the First Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Management Report and statement on the system of internal control; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6300. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Liquefied Natural Gas Safety Research Report"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6301. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of construction of the mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility (MOX facility) at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site in South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6302. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loan Guarantees for Projects That Employ Innovative Technologies" (RIN1901-AB32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6303. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Washington: Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9674-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6304. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Massachusetts and New Hampshire; Determination of Attainment of the One-hour and 1997 Eight-hour Ozone Standards for Eastern Massachusetts" (FRL No. 9675-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6305. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County; Fees for Permits and Administrative Actions" (FRL No. 9672-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6306. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Small Container Exemption from VOC Coating Rules" (FRL No. 9677-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6307. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the South Coast Air Quality Management District Portion of the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Rule 1315" (FRL No. 9669-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6308. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of International Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Export and Import of Nuclear Equipment and Material; Export of International Atomic Energy Agency Safeguards Samples" (RIN3150-AJ04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6309. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - June 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6310. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Health Insurance Premium Tax Credit" (TD 9590), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6311. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Americans with Disabilities Act Title II and Title III Regulations to Extend Compliance Date for Certain Requirements Related to Existing Pools and Spas Provided by State and Local Governments and by Public Accommodations" (RIN1190-AA69), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 21, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6312. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2012 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6313. A communication from the Equal Employment Opportunity Director, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Farm Credit Administration's fiscal year 2012 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6314. A communication from the Equal Employment Opportunity and Inclusion Director, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6315. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6316. A communication from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Seventy-First Financial Statement for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6317. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the activities of the Community Relations Service for Fiscal Year 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6318. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-354, "Fiscal Year 2012 Revised Budget Request Adjustment Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6319. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-355, "Vendor Sales Tax Collection and Remittance Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6320. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-356, "Combined Condominium Real Property Tax Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6321. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-357, "Carver 2000 Low-Income and Senior Housing Project Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6322. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-358, "Senior HIV/AIDS Education and Outreach Program Establishment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6323. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-359, "King Towers Residential Housing Real Property Tax Exemption Clarification Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6324. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-360, "Adolf Cluss Court Alley Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6325. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-361, "People First Respectful Language Modernization Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6326. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-362, "Real Property Tax Appeals Commission Establishment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6327. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-363, "HIV/AIDS Continuing Education Requirements Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6328. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-364, "Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Boundaries Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6329. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-365, "Jubilee Housing Residential Rental Project Real Property Tax Exemption Clarification Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6330. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-366, "Firearms Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6331. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-367, "Elizabeth P. Thomas Way Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6332. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-368, "Where Lincoln's Legacy Lives Designation Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6333. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-369, "Capitol Riverfront BID Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6334. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-372, "Foster Care Youth Employment Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6335. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-373, "Hilda H.M. Mason Way Designation Act of 2012"; to the

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6336. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-374, "Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6337. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-375, "Age-in-Place and Equitable Senior Citizen Real Property Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6338. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-376, "Technical Amendments Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6339. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General, the Chairman's Semiannual Report on Final Action Resulting from Audit Reports, Inspection Reports, and Evaluation Reports for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6340. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Empowering Consumers to Prevent and Detect Billing for Unauthorized Charges ("Cramming"); Consumer Information and Disclosure; Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format" (FCC 12-42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 24, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6341. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding and Load Shedding Plans Reliability Standards" (Docket No. RM11-20-000), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 24, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 2061. A bill to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority (Rept. No. 112-171).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3241. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-172).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 2370. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to make bankruptcy organization more efficient for small business debtors, and for other purposes.

By Ms. STABENOW, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, without amendment:

S. 3240. An original bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3234. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 3235. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. PRYOR:

S. 3236. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3237. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 3238. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community based outpatient clinic in Mansfield, Ohio, as the David F. Winder Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 3239. A bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 3240. An original bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 3241. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3242. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare beneficiaries coordinated care and greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3243. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged in 2011 by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3244. A bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3245. A bill to permanently reauthorize the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3246. A bill to improve the Service Corps of Retired Executives, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. 3247. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. MORAN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3248. A bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 3249. A bill to require a report on the designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3250. A bill to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3251. A bill to amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to Mille Lacs Lake, Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. VITTER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. COBURN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. LEE, Mr. COONS, Mr. GRAHAM, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 3252. A bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3253. A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BURR, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. KOHL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. THUNE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. DURBIN):

S.J. Res. 41. A joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. Res. 472. A resolution designating October 7, 2012, as "Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 473. A resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. REID, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 474. A resolution recognizing the significance of May 2012 as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month and the importance of celebrating the significant contributions of Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders to the history of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 475. A resolution relating to the death of the Honorable E. James Abdnor, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 52

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 52, a bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] were added as cosponsors of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 881

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1005

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1005, a bill to provide for parental notification and intervention in the case of a minor seeking an abortion.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1224

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1224, a bill to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery program through fiscal year 2023.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

S. 3083

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3083, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3217

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3217, a bill to jump-start the economic recovery through the formation and growth of new businesses, and for other purposes.

S. 3228

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of S. 3228, a bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 40, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules

submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to the deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 439

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 439, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com.

SENATE RESOLUTION 449

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 449, a resolution calling on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence.

SENATE RESOLUTION 462

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 462, a resolution recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges faced by children in the foster care system, acknowledging the dedication of foster care parents, advocates, and workers, and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 2 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "The Responsible Homeowner Refinancing Act of 2012."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Ivory and Insecurity: The Global Implications of Poaching in Africa."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN RELATIONS

The Committee on Indian Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Programs and Services for Native Veterans."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Innovating with Less: Examining Efforts to Reform Information Technology Spending."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Timothy S. Hillman, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

INTERNATIONAL PROTECTING GIRLS BY PREVENTING CHILD MARRIAGE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 414) to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL TO ESTABLISH BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS FOR PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 739) to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. LEVIN) to amend the bill, on page 4, by striking all beginning on line 14 through line 19 (being amendment No. 2155).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR THE RELEASE OF THE REVERSIONARY INTEREST HELD BY THE UNITED STATES IN CERTAIN LAND CONVEYED BY THE UNITED STATES IN 1950

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2947) to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ALLOWING OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE ISRAELI NATIONALS TO RECEIVE E-2 NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3992) to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E-2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar nonimmigrant status in Israel.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF "SILVER STAR SERVICE BANNER DAY"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 455) expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2012, as "Silver Star Service Banner Day".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATING TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE E. JAMES ABDNOR, FORMER UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 475) relating to the death of the Honorable E. James Abdnor, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota, submitted today by Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

JOINT RESOLUTION READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, introduced today by Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BURR, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. KOHL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. THUNE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. DURBIN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the joint resolution be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the joint resolution would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That Mr. LEAHY be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from tomorrow through Monday, June 4, 2012.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2:30 P.M. ON TOMORROW, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2:30 p.m. on tomorrow, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 12 noon on Thursday, May 31, 2012, for a pro forma session; and that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2012.

Ordered further, That, on Monday, June 4, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:21 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to the provisions of resolution S. Res. 475, as a further mark of respect to the late Senator E. JAMES ABDNOR, until 2:30 p.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

Mr. AL FRANKEN, from the State of Minnesota, called the Senate to order at 2:30:02 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 25, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable AL FRANKEN, a Senator from the State of Minnesota, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. FRANKEN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of yesterday,

At 2:30:20 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of yesterday, until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2012

Mr. PATRICK J. LEAHY, from the State of Vermont, called the Senate to order at 11:00:16 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 29, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable PATRICK J. LEAHY, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEAHY took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

At 11:00:49 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Thursday, May 24, 2012, until 12 noon on Thursday, May 31, 2012.

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2012

Mr. CARL LEVIN, from the State of Michigan, called the Senate to order at 12:00:34 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, May 31, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CARL LEVIN, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEVIN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

At 12:01:03 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Thursday, May 24, 2012, until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2012.

MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 4, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3220

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3220) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

JOINT RESOLUTION READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, introduced on Thursday, May 24, 2012, by Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BURR, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. KOHL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. THUNE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. DURBIN), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the joint resolution.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the joint resolution would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3220

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3220.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 29, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS) had signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2415. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the "Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building".

H.R. 3220. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the "Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office".

H.R. 3413. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office".

H.R. 4119. An act to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.

H.R. 4849. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other Purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of May 24, 2012, the enrolled bills were signed on May 29, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 31, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2947. An act to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.

H.R. 3992. An act to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E 2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar nonimmigrant status in Israel.

H.R. 4097. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the Performing Arts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5740. To extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the order of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were signed on May 31, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. LEVIN).

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-90. A joint Memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho urging the President and Congress to award the Medal of honor to an Idaho native and Army veteran; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 7

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

Whereas, on May 15, 2005, Idaho native Army Sergeant Chris Tschida and the three crew members of his tank were patrolling route "Michigan" between Ramadi and Fallujah in the Al Anbar Province of Iraq while conducting operations under Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

Whereas, Sgt. Tschida, along with his loader, were standing watch in the gun turret, watching for enemy activity while the tank driver and a Lieutenant were inside the tank preparing for a mission later that night. The loader shifted his body and accidentally knocked his water bottle down inside the tank and while lowering himself inside the tank to pick up the water, an insurgent used the opportunity to attack by throwing two enemy grenades inside the tank; and

Whereas, Sgt. Tschida could hear the grenades fall in the tank and instantly found one, yelling "grenade!" to his crew members while retrieving one grenade to put into the tank's breach to absorb the blast. In this process, the grenade exploded and amputated Sgt. Tschida's left hand. Moments later the second grenade exploded inside the tank, severely wounding Sgt. Tschida and two of the other crew members; and

Whereas, still conscious, Sgt. Tschida began assessing the damage inside the tank, but was unable to see because of the smoke and fire caused by the grenade. Sgt. Tschida attempted to key the microphone on his radio to call for support and report the enemy attack when he noticed his left hand was missing. Sgt. Tschida wrapped the stump of his hand into his shirt and began checking the status of his tank and fellow soldiers. At first glance Sgt. Tschida saw his Lieutenant slumped over and unconscious with his head resting on the .50 caliber sight. The Lieutenant was bleeding heavily from his eye socket and appeared to be dead; and

Whereas, Sgt. Tschida then noticed his loader, hanging half-way out of the tank's turret, missing both legs from the knees down. Sgt. Tschida shook his Lieutenant to see if he was alive, at which time the Lieutenant let out a gasp of air that confirmed he was not dead; and

Whereas, an evaluation of the tank also confirmed the ammunition bay had been busted open from the grenade blast and the tank ammunition was at risk of catching fire and exploding. Knowing he and his fellow soldiers were not safe inside the tank, Sgt. Tschida pulled himself out of the hatch and then began pulling his loader out of the tank. Once his loader was safely out of the tank, Sgt. Tschida began pulling his Lieutenant out of the commander's hatch of the tank. Once both soldiers were safely out of the tank, Sgt. Tschida began administering first aid by tying a tourniquet on both of the loader' s legs and by stuffing a field bandage inside of the eye socket of the Lieutenant to stop the bleeding from his head; and

Whereas, while caring for both soldiers, Sgt. Tschida did a security check of his area. At this time an enemy insurgent, believed to be the one who attacked Sgt. Tschida' s tank, engaged Sgt. Tschida while he was administering first aid to his fellow soldiers. Sgt. Tschida was able to repel the enemy assault with his M9 service pistol, killing the hostile force; and

Whereas, knowing they were in imminent danger, Sgt. Tschida attempted to get the driver of the tank to respond to his commands, but the soldier was in shock and unresponsive. After beating on the hatch and pleading with the driver to respond, the driver opened the driver's hatch and began receiving commands from Sgt. Tschida. At this time, Sgt. Tschida commanded the driver to return them and the tank with its munitions back to the nearest security gate to get help. Sgt. Tschida then shielded both soldiers with his body on the surface of the tank until they arrived at a safe location; and

Whereas, all four crew members, including Sgt. Tschida, survived the injuries they sustained on May 15, 2005, and the tank was returned and repaired for future use. To this day, Sgt. Chris Tschida has not received recognition or accolades for his heroism and steadfast leadership on May 15, 2005. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that we urge President Barack Obama, in the name of Congress, to award Retired Sergeant Chris Tschida the Medal of Honor for distinguishing himself through conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty, or the highest appropriate recognition; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to President Barack Obama, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, and the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States.

POM-91. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to support the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron Louisiana National Guard and urging the Louisiana congressional delegation to take action to reverse the planned disbanding of the squadron; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to support the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron Louisiana National Guard and urge the Louisiana congressional delegation to take action to reverse the planned disbanding of the squadron.

Whereas, the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron is uniquely staffed to support large scale military training operations that are launched from Alexandria International Airport to Fort Polk which are essential to the world class military training at Fort Polk; and

Whereas, three of the last four presidents have used the services and assets of the ATC squadron to safely access Fort Polk and Central Louisiana; and

Whereas, the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron has also safely controlled the air access of numerous United States flag officers, foreign dignitaries, foreign military officers, governors and members of congressional delegations during important visits in support of Fort Polk operations; and

Whereas, this exceptional unit has consistently achieved rating of excellent in their performance evaluation and currently leads the nation in keeping its staff strength at or near one hundred percent; and

Whereas, the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron has played a key role in disaster relief efforts such as Hurricane Katrina, when it worked to control the airspace over New Orleans in the aftermath of the country's biggest natural disaster; and

Whereas, this unit has been called on and has responded in an exemplary manner to requests from other states when they were struck by disasters; and

Whereas, little or no input was considered from the Air National Guard Headquarters, the Adjutant General of the Louisiana National Guard, the Louisiana Air National Guard Commander, the Louisiana congressional delegation, the governor, the United States Army or England Airpark before the Department of Defense proposed to disband the unit in order to achieve budget cuts; and

Whereas, the 259th is composed of 110 proud, patriotic Louisiana citizens bravely serving their country during perilous times

who are now being told their mission is over and their service is no longer needed; and

Whereas, disbanding of the 259th ATC will weaken Fort Polk, Alexandria International Airport, England Airpark and the state of Louisiana: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana hereby memorializes the Congress of the United States to use all of its powers of oversight to reverse this catastrophic decision by the Department of Defense to disband a vital, smooth operating, and badly needed unit such as the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron in order to cut military spending, especially in these times of war, world conflict, and danger from dictators and terrorists; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana requests the governor and the appropriate agencies to take such action as they deem necessary to support the Louisiana congressional delegation in its effort to save the 259th Air Traffic Control Squadron; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress and to the governor of the state of Louisiana.

POM-92. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to take such actions as necessary to encourage the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Gulf of Mexico Marine Fisheries Council, and the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council to adopt a weekend-only fishery management regime for red snapper in the Gulf of Mexico for 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to encourage the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Gulf of Mexico Marine Fisheries Council, and the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council to adopt a weekend-only fishery management regime for red snapper in the Gulf of Mexico for 2012.

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the National Marine Fisheries Service, an agency in the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, through the Gulf of Mexico Marine Fisheries Council and the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council, to manage and regulate marine species located in the Gulf of Mexico; and

Whereas, this management and regulation includes a determination of the sustainability of each species and preservation of the sustainability through the setting of take limits, individual fishing quotas, and opening and closing seasons; and

Whereas, red snapper is a highly sought-after fish and, through the years has been one of the most popular fish for restaurants but is currently one of the most highly regulated fisheries due to the fact that in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the population spawnings were not as strong as had been expected; and

Whereas, in an effort to protect the fishery, regulations were instituted that limited the number of fish that could be taken and set the minimum and maximum sizes; and

Whereas, although these regulations have resulted in an increase in the number of red snapper in the Gulf of Mexico and in an overall increased health of the red snapper populations, because of the past experience with unexpected spawning difficulties, NOAA Fisheries continues to maintain tight rein on the red snapper fishery and continues to implement stringent regulations on the taking of red snapper in the Gulf with those regulations for 2012 involving an open season of only forty days; and

Whereas, a forty-day season for red snapper will be devastating particularly to the charter fishing industry whose clientele are eager for the experience of fishing for and landing Louisiana's famed and highly sought after red snapper; and

Whereas, the charter industry in the state of Louisiana is an industry, like so many others across coastal Louisiana, that has been hard hit in recent years by hurricanes, record-setting riverine flooding, and the BP oil disaster in the Gulf; and

Whereas, one of the options discussed while determining the 2012 management regime was a weekend-only fishery which would elongate the period of time within which red snapper could be caught to nearly the entire summer, thus enabling the charter fishing industry, largely a weekend-only industry, more opportunities to ply their trade, book their charters, and increase the income to an already hard-hit industry; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to encourage the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Gulf of Mexico Marine Fisheries Council, and the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council to adopt a weekend-only fishery management scheme for red snapper for 2012; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation and the heads of the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Gulf of Mexico Marine Fisheries Council, and the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council.

POM-93. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to encourage and enable the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to expedite the review and approval of Cheniere Energy's Sabine Pass Liquefied Natural Gas facility and to streamline the approval process for similar export facilities to magnify the economic benefits of liquefied natural gas exports throughout the region and nation; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 94

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to encourage and enable the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to expedite the review and approval of Cheniere Energy's Sabine Pass Liquefied Natural Gas facility and to streamline the approval process for similar export facilities to magnify the economic benefits of liquefied natural gas exports throughout the region and nation.

Whereas, Cheniere Energy plans to invest ten billion dollars into a liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facility located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana; and

Whereas, Cheniere's Sabine Pass LNG Export facility will have significant economic benefits for the Louisiana and national economies; and

Whereas, Cheniere's Sabine Pass LNG Export Facility will result in an average of one thousand eight hundred construction jobs over a five-year period, over one billion dollars paid in wages and benefits during construction, and an additional two hundred permanent jobs in Cameron Parish; and

Whereas, Cheniere's Sabine Pass LNG Export facility will create a demand for two billion cubic feet (bcf) of natural gas drawn from areas such as Louisiana's Haynesville Shale and will support between thirty thousand and fifty thousand jobs in the exploration and production industry; and

Whereas, Cheniere's Sabine Pass LNG Export facility will provide a stable and secure energy source for America's allies around the world; and

Whereas, Cheniere's Sabine Pass LNG Export facility will bring needed jobs and development to Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and encourage growth in the southwest Louisiana region; and

Whereas, the Cheniere's Sabine Pass site has been subjected to three extensive environmental reviews by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission resulting in findings of no significant impact in an initial Environmental Impact Statement and two Environmental Assessments; and

Whereas, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's current review of Cheniere's

Sabine Pass LNG Export Facility has been ongoing since July 2010; and

Whereas, Cheniere has demonstrated that they are a safe and responsible operator, steward of the local environment, and responsible corporate citizen; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to encourage and enable the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to expedite the review and approval of Cheniere Energy's Sabine Pass Liquefied Natural Gas facility and to streamline the approval process for similar export facilities to magnify the economic benefits of liquefied natural gas exports throughout the region and nation; and be it further,

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

POM-94. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to reform the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

We, your Memorialists, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the Second Regular Session, most respectfully present and petition the President of the United States and the members of the United States Congress as follows:

Whereas, a child and a developing fetus are uniquely vulnerable to the health threats of toxic chemicals; and

Whereas, a growing body of peer-reviewed scientific evidence links exposure to toxic chemicals with many diseases and health problems, including prostate cancer, breast cancer, learning and developmental disabilities, infertility and obesity; and

Whereas, the effects of toxic chemicals place an undue burden on states, including increasing health care costs, environmental damage and demands for state regulation; and

Whereas, businesses that lack information on the effects of chemicals in their supply chain are at a disadvantage; and

Whereas, the governing federal law, the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, was intended to protect public health from toxic chemicals; and

Whereas, at the time when the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 was passed, there were about 62,000 chemicals in commerce that were grandfathered without the testing currently required for potential health and safety hazards or any restrictions on known chemical hazards; and

Whereas, in the 35 years since the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 was passed, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has required testing to be conducted on only about 200 of those chemicals for health hazards and has restricted the use of only 5 chemicals; and

Whereas, the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 has been widely recognized as ineffective and obsolete due to procedural hurdles that prevent the United States Environmental Protection Agency from taking quick and effective action to protect the public against well-known chemical threats; and

Whereas, in 2008 the Maine Legislature enacted, and in 2011 amended, the Kid Safe Products Act with broad bipartisan support as a comprehensive safer chemical policy reform; and

Whereas, state policy leadership cannot substitute for congressional action to modernize the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, a reform all parties agree is urgently needed; and

Whereas, federal legislation to reform the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, the Safe Chemicals Act of 2011, is under consideration in the 112th Congress; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request that the President of the United States and the United States Congress modernize the federal Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 in a manner that ensures the safety of chemicals in everyday products and that uses the best scientific data to protect the health of vulnerable groups, such as children, while promoting business innovation and making timely decisions on chemicals of highest concern; and be it further

Resolved, That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable Barack H. Obama, President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate and to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

POM-95. A joint Memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho urging the President and Congress to support a Basque Country - Euskadi 'ta Askatasuna (ETA) truce; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 14

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

Whereas, the State of Idaho is a North American center of the Basque population, and many of those citizens of this state have kept close ties to the homeland of their forefathers; and

Whereas, from the time of the government of the last dictatorship in Spain until the present, the Basque Country has experienced decades of terror and violence; and

Whereas, in 1972, the Second Regular Session of the Forty-first Idaho Legislature adopted Senate Joint Memorial No. 115 that condemned the government of the last dictatorship in Spain and urged peace and democracy in the Basque Country; and

Whereas, in 2002, the Second Regular Session of the Fifty-sixth Idaho Legislature unanimously adopted Senate Joint Memorial No. 114 that condemned all terrorist organizations operating in the world and specifically the terrorist organization Euskadi 'ta Askatasuna (ETA) in Spain and expressed strong support for an immediate end to all violence in the Basque Country and for the establishment of peace and freedom through all democratic and lawful means as well as the recognition of the right to self-determination; and

Whereas, in 2006, the Second Regular Session of the Fifty-eighth Idaho Legislature adopted House Joint Memorial No. 26 that condemned all acts of terrorism and violence by all organizations and individuals within the Basque Country and throughout the world: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the State of Idaho recognizes and commends ETA's statements of a definitive cessation of its armed activity and end to terrorism, and further commends the governments of Spain, France, the Basque Autonomous Community and Navarre for their actions to promote dialogue on the future of the Basque territories and achieving a lasting peace; be it further

Resolved, That the State of Idaho extends its encouragement and support to their democratic governments in their ongoing efforts to establish a negotiation process to create a lasting peace, to recognize all victims of terrorism and to consider all democratic forms of referenda on the constitutional future of the Basque territories; and be it further

Resolved, that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the President and Secretary of State of the United States, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States, the Prime Minister of Spain, the

President of France, the President of the Basque Autonomous Community and the President of the Foral Government of Navarre.

POM-96. A joint Memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho urging the President and Congress to implement the Beyond the Boarder Action Plan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 13

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

Whereas, the United States and Canada enjoy a partnership long rooted in a history of peaceful coexistence and one of the largest and most successful economic relationships in the world; and

Whereas, the United States and Canada are each other's largest single export market; and

Whereas, millions of jobs in both the United States and Canada depend on the trade and investment flowing across the border between the two countries; and

Whereas, Canada is one of Idaho's top trading partners, based on 2010 data, and our companies and industries depend on integrated cross-border supply chains and production processes; and

Whereas, on February 4, 2011, the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States issued a declaration on a Shared Vision for Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness, which called for a joint action plan; and

Whereas, the United States and Canada established a Beyond the Border Working Group composed of representatives from the relevant departments and offices of their federal governments to develop the action plan and be responsible for its implementation; and

Whereas, the Beyond the Border Action Plan was released in December of 2011; and

Whereas, the Beyond the Border Action Plan details methods for the United States and Canada to work together to enhance joint security and accelerate the legitimate flow of people, goods and services through four areas of cooperation: (1) addressing threats early; (2) trade facilitation, economic growth and jobs; (3) cross-border law enforcement; and (4) critical infrastructure and cybersecurity; and

Whereas, on February 4, 2011, the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States announced the creation of the United States-Canada Regulatory Cooperation Council to increase regulatory transparency and coordination between the two countries; and

Whereas, the initial Joint Action Plan of the Regulatory Cooperation Council was released in December of 2011; and

Whereas, the Action Plan on Regulatory Cooperation will help reduce barriers to trade, lower costs for consumers and business and create economic opportunities on both sides of the border through the alignment of regulatory approaches in the areas of agriculture and food, transportation, health and personal care products, chemical management, the environment and other cross-sectoral areas, while not compromising our health, safety or environmental protection standards; and

Whereas, Idaho has much to gain from the development of joint strategies and integrated approaches to enhance security and efficient trade between Canada and the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the President, Executive Branch Agencies and Congress work together to see that the Beyond the Border Action Plan on Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness and the Action Plan on Regulatory Cooperation are carried out and that the United States' appointees to the Beyond the Border Working Group, the Regulatory Cooperation Council, and the United States' agencies responsible for implementing the action plans have the resources necessary to assist in realizing the goals of the action plans, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of State, the United States Attorney General, the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security, the Secretary of the United States Department of Commerce, the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, and the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States.

POM-97. A joint Memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho urging Congress to repeal the No Child Left Behind Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

Whereas, putting our children first is both an economic imperative and a moral necessity, and a strong education system is vital to a strong economy; and

Whereas, public education is clearly an area left to the states under the Tenth Amendment to the United States Constitution; and

Whereas, the federal No Child Left Behind law requires unrealistic expectations as nearly one-half of the public schools in the United States did not meet federal achievement standards in 2011, including eighty-nine percent of Florida' s public schools; and

Whereas, the federal No Child Left Behind law constricts the definition of education into a narrow test-based approach where repetition and memorization are more important than application, and it discourages creativity by students and teachers; and

Whereas, the federal No Child Left Behind law's emphasis on math and reading means less attention for other very important subjects such as history, art, music, vocational education and physical education; and

Whereas, the federal No Child Left Behind law is insufficiently funded to bring about its intended effect and it has imposed what is essentially an unfunded educational mandate on the states; and

Whereas, the ongoing recession has forced the State of Idaho to make difficult decisions regarding the funding of public education and these decisions have resulted in larger class sizes, layoffs of educational staff, curtailment of extracurricular activities and school sponsored programs and a shorter school year; and

Whereas, economic recovery and development depend upon an educated workforce that possesses the skills that are necessary to handle the jobs of the 21st century; the State of Idaho cannot achieve and maintain prosperity if it does not properly fund secondary and post-secondary education; and Republicans and Democrats agree that burdensome regulations prevent our schools, our teachers and our students from achieving their potential: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the Congress of the United States of America is respectfully urged to repeal the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107 110, 115 Stat. 1425); and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, and the congressional delegation representing the

State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States.

POM-98. A concurrent memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona requesting Congress to propose, and to submit to the several states for ratification, a balanced budget amendment to the United States Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL 2007

Whereas, the federal public debt now exceeds $15 trillion, or $50,000 for every man, woman and child in America; and

Whereas, the federal public debt now exceeds the gross annual output of the entire United States economy; and

Whereas, this fiscal irresponsibility at the federal level is endangering economic opportunity now and for future generations; and

Whereas, the federal government's unlimited borrowing ability raises serious questions about fundamental principles and responsibilities of government. The profound consequences for the nation and its people that potentially could result from unchecked borrowing make it an appropriate subject for limitation by the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas, the Constitution of the United States vests the ultimate responsibility to approve or disapprove constitutional amendments with the people, as represented by their elected state legislatures. Opposition by a small minority has repeatedly thwarted the will of the people that a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution be submitted to the states for ratification.

Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the Senate concurring, prays:

1. That the Congress of the United States expeditiously pass and propose to the legislatures of the several states for ratification an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that, in the absence of a national emergency, the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year.

2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona and the Secretary of State and the presiding officer of both houses of the legislature in each state in the union.

POM-99. A joint Memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho urging Congress to authorize an additional United States District Court Judge for the District of Idaho; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

Whereas, Congress admitted Idaho to the Union in 1890, soon thereafter created the United States District Court for the District of Idaho with one United States District Judge, created a second United States District Judge in 1954, but has not created any other United States District Judges for the Idaho federal court since then; and

Whereas, Idaho's population has grown from approximately 600,000 in 1954 to over 1.5 million as of the 2010 census; and

Whereas, the District of Idaho has the fewest federal district judges of any of the judicial districts in the Ninth Circuit, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands; and

Whereas, Alaska with a 2010 census population of 710,231, Montana with a 2010 census population of 989,415, South Dakota with a 2010 census population of 814,180 and Wyoming with a 2010 census population of 563,626 each have three federal district judges even though their populations are significant1y smaller than the population of Idaho; and

Whereas, Idaho is the 14th largest state with an area of 83,570 square miles, and its federal district judges are required to travel throughout this large and far-flung state to four designated and distant locations to conduct hearings and trials in both criminal and civil cases; and

Whereas, Idaho's United States District Court had 170 pending criminal and civil cases in 1954, and had 942 pending criminal and civil cases of September 2011; and

Whereas, although the Idaho federal court has magistrate judges, civil litigants with cases before the court frequently exercise their right to have a United States District Judge assigned to their cases, only district judges may try felony criminal cases, speedy trial requirements and the size of the criminal case load cause delays in civil cases pending before Idaho's district judges, and complex cases can tie up district judges for months at a time, all of which have forced the Idaho federal court to increasingly rely on out-of-state federal district judges as shown by the 96 percent increase in visiting judge hours in 2008; and

Whereas, the United States District Court for Idaho is recognized within the federal judicial system, by Idaho's lawyers and by the citizens of Idaho as an exemplary court comprised of judges and staff making enormous efforts and sacrifices to meet the demands of its caseload and doing so in a highly competent fashion; and

Whereas, notwithstanding the extraordinary and laudable efforts of the United States District Court for the District of Idaho to meet the demands of its caseload, the resources available to it are inadequate, and the resulting situation has created an unsustainable burden on the court, delayed justice, hindered the rights of the people of Idaho, and hindered the economy of our state; and

Whereas, the people of Idaho have needed a third federal district judge for a very long time and in 2002 Senate Joint Memorial 110 was adopted by the Second Regular Session of the 56th Idaho Legislature urging the Congress of the United States to authorize an additional United States District Court Judge and the staff necessary to assist in the handling of the District of Idaho's increasing caseload, but, to date, Congress has failed to act; and

Whereas, a properly resourced and properly functioning judiciary is a fundamental and core governmental function essential to the preservation of the people' s rights and their freedom: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, That we hereby respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to authorize an additional United States District Court Judge and commensurate staff for the District of Idaho to assist in handling current and anticipated caseloads in the District of Idaho; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Congress, and the congressional delegation representing the State of Idaho in the Congress of the United States.

POM-100. A resolution adopted by the California State Lands Commission opposing H.R. 1837, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Water Reliability Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-101. A petition by the Governor's Commission on Disability and Employment in Maine urging Congress to introduce and support passage of the Social Security draft bill---Social Security Work Incentive Amendments of 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN, from the Committee on Armed Services, without amendment:

S. 3254. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of

Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-173).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3254. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 3255. A bill for the relief of Miguel Santillan; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 3256. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to improve nonretaliation provisions relating to equal pay requirements; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. BURR):

S. 3257. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL:

S. 3258. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to clarify the maximum distance between Farm Service Agency county offices for purposes of the closure or relocation of a county office for the Farm Service Agency; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3259. A bill for the relief of Dr. Shakeel Afridi; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3260. A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 3261. A bill to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KYL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. WEBB):

S. Res. 476. A resolution honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 657

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 657, a bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

S. 797

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 797, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 1174

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1174, a bill to provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment.

S. 1221

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1221, a bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1600

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1600, a bill to enhance the ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1881

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1881, a bill to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of climate variability and change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention

without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2201, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit.

S. 2280

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2280, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3220

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3220, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3225

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3225, a bill to require the United States Trade Representative to provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request, and for other purposes.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 915. An act to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1299. An act to achieve operational control of and improve security at the international land borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2764. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish weapons of mass destruction intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3140. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize the assignment of officers and analysts to certain State and urban area fusion centers to enhance the security of mass transit systems.

H.R. 3310. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to consolidate the reporting obligations of the Federal Communications Commission in order to improve congressional oversight and reduce reporting burdens.

H.R. 3670. An act to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

H.R. 4041. An act to amend the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 to further enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4201. An act to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces.

H.R. 5512. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts.

H.R. 5651. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other Purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5740) to extend the National

Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 915. An act to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 1299. An act to achieve operational control of and improve security at the international land borders of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2764. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish weapons of mass destruction intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3140. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize the assignment of officers and analysts to certain State and urban area fusion centers to enhance the security of mass transit systems; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3310. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to consolidate the reporting obligations of the Federal Communications Commission in order to improve congressional oversight and reduce reporting burdens; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3670. An act to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4041. An act to amend the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 to further enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 4201. An act to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 5512. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5651. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

RECOGNIZING "NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 462) recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges faced by children in the foster care system, acknowledging the dedication of foster care parents, advocates, and workers, and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Mr. INHOFE.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 7:07 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 5, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3220

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3220) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed at 2:30 p.m. on today; that the time until 2:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the second half therein.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:37 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3220

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3220.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on that day, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3220.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, May 24, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 115 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 47

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote.

Mr. REID thereupon withdrew his pending motion to proceed.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240:

HARRY REID, DEBBIE STABENOW, CARL LEVIN, KENT CONRAD, JEFF BINGAMAN, HERB KOHL, PATRICK J. LEAHY, MICHAEL F. BENNET, CHRIS COONS, AL FRANKEN, MAX BAUCUS, B.A. MIKULSKI, BEN NELSON, AMY KLOBUCHAR, SHERROD BROWN, J.A. MERKLEY, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

Pending debate,

DISTURBANCE IN THE GALLERY

A disturbance in the gallery occurred when a man began talking loudly, and was thereupon removed upon the direction of the Chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

The Senate continued with consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3262. A bill to amend the Whaling Convention Act to require the Secretary of Commerce to authorize aboriginal subsistence whaling as permitted by the regulations of the International Whaling Commission and to set aboriginal subsistence catch limits for bowhead whales in the event the Commission fails to adopt such limits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3263. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3264. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 3265. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to remove the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LEE, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. RISCH):

S.J. Res. 42. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 477. A resolution calling for the safe and immediate return of Noor and Ramsay Bower to the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. Res. 478. A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the chartering of Hamilton College in Clinton, New York; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 479. A resolution commemorating the dedication of the Strategic Air Command Memorial during the 20th anniversary of its stand down; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 480. A resolution commemorating the 20th anniversary of United States Strategic Command; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WEBB, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. INOUYE):

S. Res. 481. A resolution celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the United States-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and the vitality of the overall bilateral relationship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. Con. Res. 45. A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 606

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 606, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve the priority review voucher incentive program relating to tropical and rare pediatric diseases.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1696

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1696, a bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2120

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2120, a bill to require the lender or servicer of a home mortgage upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2149

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2149, a bill to exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2192

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2192, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2219

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2219, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 2235

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2235, a bill to prohibit the establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers, and for other purposes.

S. 2282

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2282, a bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3085

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3085, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3220

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3220, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3257, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONTRACTING OVERSIGHT

The Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 5, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Veterans Employment and Government Contractors."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 5, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Combating Poverty: Understanding New Challenges for Families."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 5, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:12 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5743. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5854. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 5743. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5854. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

FORMER CHARLESTON NAVAL BASE LAND EXCHANGE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2061) to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendments.

The reported amendments were agreed to.

The question being on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CALLING FOR THE SAFE RETURN OF TWO U.S. NATIONALS FROM EGYPT

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CASEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 477) calling for the safe and immediate return of Noor and Ramsay Bower to the United States, submitted today by Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF HAMILTON COLLEGE CHARTER

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 478) commemorating the 200th anniversary of the chartering of Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, submitted today by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. SANDERS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE DEDICATION OF THE STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND MEMORIAL

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 479) commemorating the dedication of the Strategic Air Command Memorial during the 20th anniversary of its stand down, submitted today by Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF U.S. STRATEGIC COMMAND

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 480) commemorating the 20th anniversary of United States Strategic Command, submitted today by Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINES MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 481) celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the United States-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and the vitality of the overall bilateral relationship, submitted today by Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WEBB, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. INOUYE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 45) authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines, submitted today by Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. BURR), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that there then be one hour equally divided and controlled for debate between the majority and the minority; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:04 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, June 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agriculture programs through 2017, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 4 p.m. on today, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Jeffrey J. Helmick, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio; that there be 90 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6342. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review and certification of the Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System (JLENS) program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6343. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Distribution of Department of Defense (DoD) Depot Maintenance Workloads; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6344. A communication from the Acting Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mutual Insurance Holding Company Treated as Insurance Company" (RIN3064-AD89), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6345. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6346. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits Program; Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Administrative Changes" (FRL No. 9675-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6347. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule on a Certain Chemical Substance; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rule" (FRL No. 9350-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6348. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Elemental Mercury Used in Barometers, Manometers, Hygrometers, and Psychrometers; Significant New Use Rule" (FRL No. 9345-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6349. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Heavy-Duty Highway Program: Revisions for Emergency Vehicles" (FRL No. 9673-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6350. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Direct Final Negative Declaration and Withdrawal of Large Municipal Waste Combustors State Plan for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Illinois" (FRL No. 9679-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6351. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Alternative for the Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning Sector Under the Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) Program" (FRL No. 9668-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6352. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of Arizona; Pinal County; PM10" (FRL No. 9679-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6353. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear

Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for ITAAC Closure Under 10 CFR Part 52" (Regulatory Guide 1.215, Revision 1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6354. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Industry Guideline for Implementing Performance-Based Option of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J" (ML121030286), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6355. A communication from the Assistant Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska - Subpart C - Board Determinations; Rural Determinations" (RIN1018-AX95), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6356. A communication from the Chief of the Foreign Species Branch, Fish and Wildlife Services, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to Remove the Morelet's Crocodile From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AV22), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6357. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and Delisting Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of a Nonessential Experimental Population of American Burying Beetle in Southwestern Missouri" (RIN1018-AX79), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6358. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regional Haze: Revisions to Provisions Governing Alternatives to Source-Specific Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) Determinations, Limited SIP Disapprovals, and Federal Implementation Plans" (FRL No. 9672-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6359. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9670-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6360. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Consumer Products and AIM Rules" (FRL No. 9663-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6361. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Interim Guidance on Modification of Section 833 Treatment of Certain Health Organizations" (Notice 2012-37), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6362. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Discharge of Partnership Excess Nonrecourse Indebtedness" (Rev. Rul. 2012-14), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6363. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Children's Health Insurance Programs; Disallowance of Claims for FFP and Technical Corrections" (CMS-2292-F), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6364. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's 2012 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6365. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6366. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6367. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Corporation for National and Community Service's Report on Final Action for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6368. A communication from the Administrator of the Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6369. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Energy's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6370. A communication from the Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6371. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6372. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6373. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Agriculture's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to

the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6374. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6375. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of the Interior's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6376. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Health and Human Service's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6377. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Labor for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6378. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6379. A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6380. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 and the Administrator's Semiannual Management Report to Congress; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6381. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6382. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3266. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to reset interest rates for new student loans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3267. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3268. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. LEE, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 3269. A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed; read the first time

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3270. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KIRK, Mr. KYL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MORAN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. Res. 482. A resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States Chamber of Commerce; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 483. A resolution commending efforts to promote and enhance public safety on the need for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing bonding; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. Res. 484. A resolution designating June 7, 2012, as "National Hunger Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 485. A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Common Cause, et al. v. Joseph R. Biden, et al; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WEBB:

S. Con. Res. 46. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Con. Res. 47. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus over all of the territory of the island of Cyprus; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 67

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 67, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 210

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 210, a bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to eliminate the mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for the use of offices of Members of Congress.

S. 262

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 262, a bill to repeal the excise tax on medical device manufacturers.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 649

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 649, a bill to expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 705

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 705, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 775

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 775, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to encourage research and carry out an educational campaign with respect to pulmonary hypertension, and for other purposes.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 821, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 1167

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 2030

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2030, a bill to provide protection for consumers who have prepaid cards, and for other purposes.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2143

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2143, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2167

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2167, a bill to increase the employment of Americans by requiring State workforce agencies to certify that employers are actively recruiting Americans and that Americans are not qualified or available to fill the positions that the employer wants to fill with H-2B nonimmigrants.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel

for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3053

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3053, a bill to require Regional Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

S. 3078

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3078, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

S. 3085

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3085, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3220

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3220, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3257, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction.

S. 3261

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3261, a bill to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 42, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights.

SENATE RESOLUTION 376

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 376, a resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 435, supra.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a Committee hearing entitled "Implementing Wall Street Reform: Enhancing Bank Supervision and Reducing Systemic Risk."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 6, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The European Union Emissions Trading System."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 6, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Ensuring that Federal Prosecutors Meet Discovery Obligations."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 6, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 6, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Pension Poachers: Preventing Fraud and Protecting America's Veterans."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 1:50 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 241. An act to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California.

H.R. 1740. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington,

as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System.

H.R. 2060. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2336. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

H.R. 2512. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3263. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4222. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4282. An act to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that the United States can comply fully with the obligations of the Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5883. An act to make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108.

H.R. 5890. An act to correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 128. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 241. An act to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2060. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2336. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2512. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4222. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4282. An act to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that the United States can comply fully with the obligations of the Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL HUNGER AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 484) designating June 7, 2012, as "National Hunger Awareness Day", submitted today by Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, and Mr. LEAHY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING REPRESENTATION BY SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 485) to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Common Cause, et al. v. Joseph R. Biden, et al., submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3268) to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. BEGICH), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3269) to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed, introduced today by Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. LEE, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. RISCH), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the time until 10:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, following the vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240, there be one hour,

equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Mr. SESSIONS.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 6:45 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 7, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize the agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3268) to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. BEGICH), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3269) to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed, introduced on yesterday by Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. LEE, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. RISCH), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, June 5, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 90, nays... 8

[Rollcall Vote No. 117 Leg.]

YEAS --- 90

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

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Coburn, Cornyn, DeMint, Hatch, Heller, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Lee.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of its executive business, during which the following occurred:

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3240

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That, if the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz is not agreed to, the Senate resume its legislative session to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240; and that, at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, the motion be agreed to.

Ordered further, That, if said motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination is agreed to, and upon disposition of the nomination, the Senate resume its legislative session to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3240; and that said motion then be agreed to.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, June 7, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 292. A bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

S. 363. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6383. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenamidone; Pesticide Tolerance; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 9351-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6384. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Asian Longhorned Beetle; Quarantined Areas in Massachusetts, Ohio, and New York" (Docket No. APHIS-2012-0003), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6385. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012 (OSS Control No. 2012-0717); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6386. A communication from the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to military construction requirements related to antiterrorism and force protection (DCN OSS No. 2012-0654); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6387. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Military Working Dog Disposition Report"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6388. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6389. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of five (5) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general and brigadier general, respectively, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6390. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Title 41 Positive Law Codification-Further Implementation" ((RIN0750-AH55)(DFARS Case 2011-D003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6391. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contractors Performing Private Security Functions" ((RIN0750-AH28)(DFARS Case 2011-D023)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6392. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a Selected Acquisition Report (SAR) for the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle (EELV) program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6393. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6394. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Fiscal Service, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "U.S. Treasury Securities - State and Local Government Series" ((31 CFR Part 344)(Department of the Treasury Circular, Public Debt Series No. 3-72)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6395. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6396. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6397. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning operations at the Naval Petroleum Reserves for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6398. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk-Informed Extension of the Reactor Vessel Nozzle Inservice Inspection Interval" (WCAP-17236-NP, Revision 0), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6399. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Regulatory Guide 8.33, 'Quality Management Program'" (Regulatory Guide 8.33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the

Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6400. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Physics Surveys During Enriched Uranium-235 Processing and Fuel Fabrication" (Regulatory Guide 8.24, Revision 2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6401. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidelines for Performing Verification Walkdowns of Plant Flood Protection Features" (Endorsement of NEI 12-07), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6402. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seismic Walkdown Guidance for Resolution of Fukushima Near-Term Task Force Recommendation 2.3: Seismic" (Endorsement of EPRI 1025286), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6403. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the extension of waiver authority for Turkmenistan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6404. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the extension of waiver authority for Belarus; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6405. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Rev. Rul. 2006-57--Issues for Public Comment" (Notice 2012-38), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6406. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Customs Broker Recordkeeping Requirements Regarding Location and Method of Record Retention" ((RIN1515-AD66)(formerly RIN1505-AC12)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6407. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to implementation of menu and vending machine labeling; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6408. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2011 Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act (MDUFMA) Financial Report"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6409. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Implementation of Section 3507 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6410. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report relative to the Animal Generic Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6411. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report relative to the Animal Drug User Fee Act for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6412. A joint communication from the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Thefts, Losses, or Releases of Select Agents and Toxins for Calendar Year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6413. A communication from the Executive Analyst, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, Department of Health and Human Services, Office of General Counsel; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6414. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6415. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Sterility Test Requirements for Biological Products; Correction" ((RIN0910-AG16)(Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0080)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6416. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "2010 Impact and Effectiveness of Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Projects Report"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6417. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Traumatic Injury Protection Program - Genitourinary Losses" (RIN2900-AO20), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Select Committee on Intelligence, without amendment:

S. 3276. An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-174).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3271. A bill to provide all Medicare beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a Medicare supplemental policy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 3272. A bill to improve access to oral health care for vulnerable and underserved populations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 3273. A bill to establish a youth summer employment program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. CORKER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 3274. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 3275. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 3276. An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes; from the Select Committee on Intelligence; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 3277. A bill to encourage exporting by small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3278. A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to provide and improve housing in rural areas for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 3279. A bill to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. BURR):

S. 3280. A bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 3281. A bill to terminate the Federal authorization of the National Veterans Business Development Corporation; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. Res. 486. A resolution condemning the PKK and expressing solidarity with Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 487. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the ambush marketing adversely affects Team USA and the Olympic and Paralympic Movements and should not be condoned; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 488. A resolution commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 67

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 67, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1301

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2036

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code,

to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2234

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2242

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2242, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes.

S. 2282

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2282, a bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017.

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3078

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3078, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3078, supra.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3248

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 3248, a bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States.

S. 3270

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3270, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3270, supra.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 7, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Universal Service Fund Reform: Ensuring a Sustainable and Connected Future for Native Communities."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 7, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 7, 2012, at 11:30 a.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 7, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

The Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 7, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future

for a Consent-Based Approach to Siting Nuclear Waste Storage and Management Facilities."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE, PEACE CORPS, AND GLOBAL NARCOTICS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 7, 2012, at 10:45 a.m., to hold a Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, and Global Narcotics Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "The Path to Freedom: Countering Repression and Strengthening Civil Society in Cuba."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:32 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 292. An act to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

S. 363. An act to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

At 4:12 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 292. An act to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

S. 363. An act to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

RELATIVE TO CONTRACTS FOR LARGE AIR TANKERS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3261) to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MAKING A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN PUBLIC LAW 112-108

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5883) to make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CORRECTING A TECHNICAL ERROR IN PUBLIC LAW 112-122

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5890) to correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LATE FANG LIZHI

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 476) honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMENDING CERTAIN FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 488) commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine, submitted today by Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. AYOTTE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

Pending debate,

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 11, 2012; and that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:23 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 11, 2012.

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 11, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

The motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed having been agreed to on Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on Friday, June 8, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 5883. An act to make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108.

H.R. 5890. An act to correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3282. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reauthorize the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 3283. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3284. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to provide for the inclusion of areas off the coast of South Carolina in the outer Continental Shelf leasing program for fiscal years 2012 through 2017, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 344

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 434

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 503

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to declare English as the official language of the United States, to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the United States, pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the United States and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8, of the Constitution.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1440, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1775

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1775, a bill to promote the development of renewable energy on public lands and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2116

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2116, a bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

S. 2121

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2121, a bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, supra.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2346

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 2346, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product".

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3078

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3078, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3228

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3228, a bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3274

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3274, a bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 436. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices.

H.R. 5325. An act making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other Purposes.

H.R. 5855. An act making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for

the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5882. An act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3261. An act to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The following enrolled bills, previously signed by the SPEAKER, were signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore on today:

H.R. 5883. An act to make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108.

H.R. 5890. An act to correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 5882. An act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILLS PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5855. An act making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5325. An act making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 436) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. MENENDEZ asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. MENENDEZ objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That the time during morning business, recess, or adjournment be counted against the time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

At 7:12 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of its executive business, during which the following occurred:

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

As in legislative session,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 436) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF A CERTAIN RESOLUTION

Mr. MCCAIN asked unanimous consent, as in legislative session, that the Senate proceed to consider a resolution relative to the appointment of a special counsel, intended to be submitted by him; that the resolution be agreed to; that the preamble be agreed to; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

Mr. WYDEN objected.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3240

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in legislative session,

Ordered, That after the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize

agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes, is agreed to, there be a period for debate only, until 4 p.m.; and that, at 4 p.m., the majority leader be recognized.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3240

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID, on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider bill S. 3240; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

The hour of 2:15 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 7, 2012, as modified.

The motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that a perfecting amendment be considered proposed by Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS), and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; that an amendment (Numbered 2128), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, an amendment (Numbered 2160), intended to be proposed by Mrs. SHAHEEN, an amendment (Numbered 2353), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, an amendment (Numbered 2370), intended to be proposed by Ms. CANTWELL, and a motion, by Mr. LEE, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, be in order to be considered; and that no other motion or amendment to the bill be in order until said amendments and motion are disposed of.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on each amendment and the motion to recommit; that, upon conclusion of debate thereon, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments and motion, in the aforementioned order; that no other motion or amendments be in order to said motion and amendments, other than motions to waive, or motions to table; and that, upon disposition of said motion and amendments, the majority leader be recognized.

Mr. PAUL objected.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS) to amend the pending bill on page 14, striking all beginning on line 10 through line 2, page 1000, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2389).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2390).

On motion by Mr. REID to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2391).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391) contained in the pending motion to recommit, on page 1, striking all beginning on line 2 through line 10, page 31, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2392).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2393).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2393 to amendment No. 2392 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391), contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Tuesday, June 12, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3261. A bill to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6418. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Killed, nonviable Streptomyces acidiscabies strain RL-110T; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9348-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6419. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities" (Docket No. RM10-23-001), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6420. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Dishwashers" (RIN1904-AC64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6421. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Control of Air Pollution From Aircraft and Aircraft Engines; Emission Standards and Test Procedures" (FRL No. 9678-1), received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6422. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9685-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6423. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Failure to Attain by 2005 and Determination of Current Attainment of the 1-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards in the Baltimore Nonattainment Area in Maryland" (FRL No. 9685-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6424. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Minor New Source Review (NSR) Preconstruction Permitting Rule for Cotton Gins" (FRL No. 9684-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6425. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9683-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6426. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Illinois; Redesignation of the Illinois Portion of the St. Louis, MO-IL Area to Attainment for the 1997 8-hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9683-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6427. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Minnesota; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9683-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6428. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Arizona; Attainment Plan for 1997 8-hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9682-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6429. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona; Update to Stage II Gasoline Vapor Recovery Program; Change in the Definition of 'Gasoline' to Exclude 'E85'" (FRL No. 9661-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6430. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Permit to Construct Exemptions" (FRL No. 9684-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6431. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Federal Implementation Plans to Reduce Interstate Transport of Fine Particulate Matter and Ozone" (FRL No. 9672-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6432. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Monitoring the Effectiveness of Maintenance at Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.160, Revision 3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6433. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Production Measurement Documents Incorporated by Reference; Correction" (RIN1014-AA01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6434. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-052, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6435. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-064, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6436. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-073, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6437. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-057, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6438. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-059, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over

military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6439. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-034, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6440. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-026, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6441. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-035, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6442. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-020, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6443. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (DCN OSS 2012-0837); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6444. A communication from the Chairman, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice, transmitting the Commission's annual report for 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6445. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0046 - 2012-0053); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6446. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to proposed amendments to parts 120, 123, 124, 126, 127, and 129 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6447. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0054 - 2012-0063); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6448. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-060); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6449. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-030); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6450. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-022); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6451. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-025); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6452. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-009); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6453. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-010); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6454. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 11-143); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6455. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-033); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6456. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-028); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6457. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-006); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6458. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-019); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6459. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-018); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6460. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-029); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6461. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-056); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6462. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-044); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6463. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-015); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6464. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-027); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6465. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-012); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6466. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-005); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6467. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-014); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6468. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-004); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6469. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-023); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6470. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 09-087); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6471. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-053); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6472. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-031); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6473. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 and the Management Response for the period ending March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6474. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012 and the Compendium of Unimplemented Recommendations for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6475. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Transportation's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6476. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Fiscal Year 2011 Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6477. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Political Activity - Federal Employees Residing in Designated Localities" (RIN3206-AM44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6478. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Abolishment of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, as a Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AM62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6479. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Excepted Service, Career and Career-Conditional Employment; and Pathways Programs" (RIN3206-AM34), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. INOUYE, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocations to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013" (Rept. No. 112-175).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

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

S. 3285. A bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Mr. WEBB, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3286. A bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3287. A bill to protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of the unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DURBIN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S.J. Res. 43. A joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BURR, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KIRK, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. Res. 489. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. Res. 490. A resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 491. A resolution commending the participants in the 44th International Chemistry Olympiad and recognizing the importance of education in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to the future of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. Res. 492. A resolution designating June 15, 2012, as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. Con. Res. 48. A concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 557

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1221

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1221, a bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 1381

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1381, a bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne disease, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1494

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1494, a bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units.

S. 1908

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1908, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organization, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of

S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2074

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2074, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 2112

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2112, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2884

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2884, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3049, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 3078

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] were added as cosponsors of S. 3078, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

S. 3084

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3084, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3223

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3223, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the reduction in the recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations.

S. 3231

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3231, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service to support effective programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care.

S. 3252

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3252, a bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy.

S. 3269

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3269, a bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed.

SENATE RESOLUTION 457

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 457, a resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Republic of Argentina's membership in the G20 should be conditioned on its adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law.

SENATE RESOLUTION 473

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 473, a resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform: Impact on U.S. Energy Policy."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Equality At Work: The Employment Non-Discrimination Act" on June 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the U.S. Department of Justice."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

The Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 12, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:17 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 3261. An act to allow the Chief of the Forest Services to award certain contracts for large air tankers.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

COMMENDING THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE 44TH INTERNATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 491) commending the participants in the 44th International Chemistry Olympiad and recognizing the importance of education in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to the future of the United States, submitted today by Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 492) designating June 15, 2012, as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day", submitted today by Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. BILL NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

At 7:23 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the pending motion to proceed be withdrawn.

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2393, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2392, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391), contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

On motion by Mr. REID to lay the pending amendment (Numbered 2393) on the table.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 50, nays... 46

[Rollcall Vote No. 119 Leg.]

YEAS --- 50

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boxer, Cantwell, Cardin, Chambliss, Cochran, Conrad, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Blumenthal, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Carper, Casey, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Durbin, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Merkley, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Reed, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2392 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391) contained in the motion to recommit.

On motion by Mr. REID to lay the pending amendment on the table.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That there be 4 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on the

pending motion between Ms. STABENOW and Mr. PAUL.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 65, nays... 33

[Rollcall Vote No. 120 Leg.]

YEAS --- 65

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 33

Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with instructions.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the pending motion to recommit be withdrawn; that pending amendment No. 2390 be withdrawn; that pending amendment No. 2389 be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; that an amendment (Numbered 2353), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, an amendment (Numbered 2366), intended to be proposed by Mrs. HAGAN, an amendment (Numbered 2285), intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT, and an amendment (Numbered 2222), intended to be proposed by Mrs. MCCASKILL, be in order to be considered; and that no other motion or amendment to the bill be in order until said amendments are disposed of.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on each amendment; that, upon conclusion of debate thereon, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that no other motion or amendments be in order to the amendments, other than motions to waive, or motions to table; and that, upon disposition of said amendments, the majority leader be recognized.

After debate,

Mr. COBURN objected.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to recommit the bill, with instructions.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (being designated amendment No. 2391) contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2406).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2407).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2407 to amendment No. 2406 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391), contained in the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6480. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Horse Protection Act; Requiring Horse Industry Organizations To Assess and Enforce Minimum Penalties for Violations" ((RIN0579-AD43)(Docket No. APHIS-2011-0030)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6481. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Office of the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Selection and Functions of Farm Service Agency State and County Committees" (RIN0560-AG90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6482. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals and accompanying reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6483. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Special Compensation for Members of the Uniformed Services with Catastrophic Injuries or Illnesses Requiring Assistance in Everyday Living Fiscal Year 2012 Report Congress"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6484. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department in the position of Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6485. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6486. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Section 8 Management Assessment Program Lease-Up Indicator" (RIN2577-AC76), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6487. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "U.S. Treasury Securities - State and Local Government Series" ((31 CFR Part 344)(Department of the Treasury Circular, Public Debt Series No. 3-72)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012; to the

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6488. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prudential Management and Operations Standards" (RIN2590-AA13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6489. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Political Contributions by Certain Investment Advisers: Ban on Third-Party Solicitation; Extension of Compliance Date" (RIN3235-AK39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6490. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Activity Funding Level Report; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6491. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Response to Findings and Recommendations of the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC) during Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6492. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Management of Nuclear Construction Projects That Exceed $1 Billion: Impact on Nuclear Safety Culture"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6493. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Clothes Washers" (RIN1904-AB90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6494. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Idaho: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program; Revision" (FRL No. 9684-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6495. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Several Counties in Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin; Corrections to Inadvertent Errors in Prior Designations" (FRL No. 9682-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6496. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Florida: New Source Review Prevention of Significant Deterioration: Nitrogen Oxides as a Precursor to Ozone" (FRL No. 9687-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6497. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Wisconsin; Disapproval of 'Infrastructure' SIP with Respect to Oxides of Nitrogen as a Precursor to Ozone Provisions and New Source Review Exemptions for Fuel Changes as Major Modifications for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and 24-Hour PM2.5 NAAQ" (FRL No. 9685-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6498. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Surrogate Foreign Corporations" ((RIN1545-BF47)(TD 9591)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6499. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Relief and Procedures Under Notice 2010-30 and Notice 2011-16 for Spouses of U.S. Servicemembers Who are Working In or Claiming Residence or Domicile In a U.S. Territory Under the Military Spouses Residency Relief Act" (Notice 2012-41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6500. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Substantial Business Activities" ((RIN1545-BK86)(TD 9592)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6501. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Materials from Peru" (RIN1515-AD89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6502. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, the report of a determination pursuant to Section 620H of the FAA, and Section 7021 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Appropriations, 2012 (Div. I, P.L. 112-74) regarding U.S. assistance (DCN OSS 2012-0837); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6503. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-011); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6504. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period February 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6505. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to provisions of Section 7042(c) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2010, as they relate to restrictions on assistance to the central government of Serbia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6506. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "Transfer of Naval Vessels to Certain Foreign Recipients"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6507. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of OMB Guidance on Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" (RIN1890-AA17), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 6, 2012;

to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6508. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to new safety technologies and equipment that have been studied, tested, and certified for use in the mining environment; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6509. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Compliance, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Safety and Health in the Congressional Workplace - Report on the 111th Congress Biennial Occupational Safety and Health Inspections"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6510. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Abolishment of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, as a Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AM62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6511. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Political Activity - Federal Employees Residing in Designated Localities" (RIN3206-AM44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6512. A joint communication from the Chairman and the Acting General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6513. A communication from the Chairman and Members of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6514. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report from the Office of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6515. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of the Treasury Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. 3288. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3289. A bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. LEE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COATS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3290. A bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 3291. A bill to prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. KYL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. COATS, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 3292. A bill to require the United States International Trade Commission to recommend temporary duty suspensions and reductions to Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 1316

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1316, a bill to prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1507

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1507, a bill to provide protections from workers with respect to their right to select or refrain from selecting representation by a labor organization.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the

Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2027

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2027, a bill to improve microfinance and microenterprise, and for other purposes.

S. 2066

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2066, a bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, supra.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2515

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2515, a bill to promote the use of clean cookstoves and fuels to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and combat harmful pollution by creating a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions.

S. 3202

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3202, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3228

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3228, a bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

S. 3235

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3235, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

SENATE RESOLUTION 176

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 176, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease.

SENATE RESOLUTION 489

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 489, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 492

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 492, a resolution designating June 15, 2012, as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "A Breakdown in Risk Management: What Went Wrong at JPMorgan Chase?"

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Allison Macfarlane and re-nomination of Kristine L. Svinicki to be Members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012, at 2:45 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012. The Committee will meet in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 13, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Empowering Patients and Honoring Individual's Choices: Lessons in Improving Care for Individuals with Advanced Illness."

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30

a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 7:03 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 14, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 12 noon on today, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of El Salvador; that the Senate proceed to consider the motion to proceed to consider the motion, entered by Mr. REID on Monday, December 12, 2011, to reconsider the vote by which the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination was not agreed to; that the motion to proceed be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination, upon reconsideration.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 12 noon having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate proceeded to executive session, during which the following occurred:

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3268

Mr. INHOFE asked unanimous consent, as in legislative session, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3268) to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER objected.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6516. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Tomatoes From the Economic Community of West African States Into the Continental United States" ((RIN0579-AD48)(Docket No. APHIS-2011-0012)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6517. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza" ((RIN0579-AC36)(Docket No. APHIS-2006-0074)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6518. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral John M. Bird, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6519. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense

(Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral James W. Houck, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6520. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Charles B. Green, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6521. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Gary L. North, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6522. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Duane D. Thiessen, United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6523. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Dennis J. Hejlik, United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6524. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Sentencing Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011 Annual Report and Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6525. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Heating, Cooling, and Lighting Standards for Bureau-Funded Dormitory Facilities" (RIN1076-AF10), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6526. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to five legislative recommendations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-6527. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3295. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-176).

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3301. An original bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-177).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 3293. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts; to the Committee on the Judiciary

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 3294. A bill to dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3295. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3296. A bill to provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3297. A bill to amend the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to minimize the adverse effects of employment dislocation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 3298. A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to establish the Federal Oil Spill Research Committee, and to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to include in a response plan certain planned and demonstrated investments in research relating to discharges of oil and to modify the dates by which a response plan must be updated; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3299. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 3300. A bill to establish the Manhattan Project National Historical Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Los Alamos, New Mexico, and Hanford, Washington, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3301. An original bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3302. A bill to establish an air travelers' bill of rights, to implement those rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3303. A bill to require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S.J. Res. 44. A joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 493. A resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs.

GILLIBRAND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 494. A resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 50

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 50, a bill to strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities with respect to commercially marketed seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to coordinate with the Federal Trade Commission and other appropriate Federal agencies to strengthen and coordinate those programs and activities.

S. 52

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 52, a bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, and for other purposes.

S. 102

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 102, a bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1096

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1096, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to, and utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits under the Medicare part B program by extending the minimum payment amount for bone mass measurement under such program through 2013.

S. 1102

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1102, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy.

S. 1468

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1468, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by authorizing certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services, under part B of the Medicare program.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2077

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2077, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2168

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2168, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor.

S. 2376

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] were added as cosponsors of S. 2376, a bill to recognize and clarify the authority of the States to regulate air ambulance medical standards pursuant to their authority over the regulation of health care services within their borders, and for other purposes.

S. 3225

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3225, a bill to require the United States Trade Representative to provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request, and for other purposes.

S. 3235

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3235, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to

require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 3248

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3248, a bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States.

S. 3263

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3263, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes.

S. 3270

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3270, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 428

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 428, a resolution condemning the Government of Syria for crimes against humanity, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 435

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 435, a resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 489

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 489, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

SENATE RESOLUTION 492

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 492, a resolution designating June 15, 2012, as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a roundtable entitled "Medicare Physician Payment Policy: Lessons from the Private Sector."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103-39): Perspectives from the U.S. Military."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103-39)."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "New Tax Burdens on Tribal Self-Determination."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 14, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Saving Taxpayer Dollars by Curbing Waste and Fraud in Medicaid."

VITIATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTING OF NOMINATION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That the reporting, on yesterday, by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, of the nomination of Erica Lynn Groshen, of New York, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, be vitiated.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Mary Geiger Lewis, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL IN THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

On the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 128) authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 3 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 3 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. FRANKEN,

At 6:07 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 3 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2012.

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 3 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 18, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 14, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 14, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 14, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session (and after consideration of executive business, involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 14, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3240

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate resumes consideration of the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes, the pending motion to recommit be withdrawn; that amendment No. 2390 be withdrawn; that amendment No. 2389 be agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be considered original text for purpose of further amendment; and that the following be the only amendments and motions in order to the bill:

Amendment No. 2440, intended to be proposed by Mr. AKAKA;

Amendment No. 2396, intended to be proposed by Mr. AKAKA;

Amendment No. 2429, intended to be proposed by Mr. BAUCUS;

Amendment No. 2364, intended to be proposed by Mr. BINGAMAN;

Amendment No. 2445, intended to be proposed by Mr. SHERROD BROWN;

Amendment No. 2370, intended to be proposed by Ms. CANTWELL;

Amendment No. 2238, intended to be proposed by Mr. CASEY;

Amendment No. 2426, intended to be proposed by Mr. COONS;

Amendment No. 2422, intended to be proposed by Mrs. FEINSTEIN;

Amendment No. 2309, intended to be proposed by Mrs. FEINSTEIN;

Amendment No. 2156, intended to be proposed by Mrs. GILLIBRAND;

Amendment No. 2366, intended to be proposed by Mrs. HAGAN;

Amendment No. 2187, intended to be proposed by Mr. KERRY;

Amendment No. 2321, intended to be proposed by Ms. LANDRIEU;

Amendment No. 2345, intended to be proposed by Mr. MANCHIN;

Amendment No. 2382, intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY;

Amendment No. 2427, intended to be proposed by Mr. SCHUMER;

Amendment No. 2453, intended to be proposed by Ms. STABENOW;

Amendment No. 2295, intended to be proposed by Mr. MARK UDALL;

Amendment No. 2457, intended to be proposed by Mr. WARNER;

Amendment No. 2442, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN;

Amendment No. 2388, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN;

Amendment No. 2204, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY;

Amendment No. 2242, intended to be proposed by Mr. BEN NELSON;

Amendment No. 2299, intended to be proposed by Ms. KLOBUCHAR;
Amendment No. 2287, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARPER;
Amendment No. 2254, intended to be proposed by Mr. SANDERS;
Amendment No. 2437, intended to be proposed by Mr. THUNE;
Amendment No. 2439, intended to be proposed by Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN);
Amendment No. 2190, intended to be proposed by Ms. SNOWE;
Amendment No. 2192, intended to be proposed by Ms. AYOTTE;
Amendment No. 2444, intended to be proposed by Ms. COLLINS;
Amendment No. 2167, intended to be proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY;
Amendment No. 2174, intended to be proposed by Mr. SESSIONS;
Amendment No. 2243, intended to be proposed by Mr. BEN NELSON;
Amendment No. 2172, intended to be proposed by Mr. SESSIONS;
Amendment No. 2181, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL;
Amendment No. 2191, intended to be proposed by Mr. ALEXANDER;
Amendment No. 2199, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;
Amendment No. 2217, intended to be proposed by Mr. TOOMEY;
Amendments Nos. 2263, 2262, 2268, 2276, 2273, intended to be proposed by Mr. DEMINT;
Amendments Nos. 2289, 2293, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;
Amendment No. 2454, intended to be proposed by Mr. KERRY;
Amendment No. 2354, intended to be proposed by Mr. KYL;
Amendments Nos. 2313, 2314, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEE;
Amendments Nos. 2355, 2360, intended to be proposed by Mr. BOOZMAN;
Amendments Nos. 2226, 2433, intended to be proposed by Mr. TOOMEY;
A motion, by Mr. LEE, to recommit;
A motion, by Mr. RON JOHNSON, to recommit;
Amendments Nos. 2438, 2340, 2432, intended to be proposed by Mr. CHAMBLISS;
Amendment No. 2195, intended to be proposed by Ms. AYOTTE;
Amendment No. 2246, intended to be proposed by Mr. BLUNT;
Amendments Nos. 2403, 2443, intended to be proposed by Mr. MORAN;
Amendment No. 2363, intended to be proposed by Mr. VITTER;
Amendment No. 2247, intended to be proposed by Mr. TOOMEY;
Amendment No. 2310, intended to be proposed by Mr. SANDERS;
Amendment No. 2214, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;
Amendment No. 2456, intended to be proposed by Mrs. BOXER;
Amendment No. 2372, intended to be proposed by Mr. JOHANNS;
Amendment No. 2455, intended to be proposed by Mrs. MURRAY;
Amendment No. 2162, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN;
Amendment No. 2166, intended to be proposed by Mr. RUBIO.

Ordered further, That, at 2:15 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate vote in "stacked" sequence in relation to the amendments and motions in the aforementioned order in alternating fashion between minority and majority party amendments; that, except for motions to waive and motions to table, there be no amendments or motions in order to the amendments prior to votes; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate between the votes; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that amendments Numbered 2247, 2310, 2214, 2456, 2372, 2455, 2162, and 2166 each receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that the legislative clerk be authorized to modify instruction lines on amendments such that page and line numbers "match up correctly"; that, upon disposition of the amendments and motions, the bill, as amended, be read the third time; that there then be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on passage of the bill, as amended; and that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be passed.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 37

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, on tomorrow, at a time to be determined by majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the minority leader, or his designee, be recognized to make a motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 37) to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units; that there be 4 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, thereon; and that two hours therein be on tomorrow.

Ordered further, That, at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed; that there be two hours for debate thereon, as aforementioned; that, at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday next, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion; that, if said motion is agreed to, statutory time for debate on the joint resolution be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of said debate, the joint resolution be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution.

Ordered further, That other provisions of the statute for consideration of the joint resolution remain in effect.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following messages from the President of the United States were transmitted to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE RISK OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION CREATED BY THE ACCUMULATION OF WEAPONS-USABLE FISSILE MATERIAL IN THE TERRITORY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION -- PM 51

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the emergency declared in Executive Order 13159 of June 21, 2000, with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation is to continue beyond June 21, 2012.

It remains a major national security goal of the United States to ensure that fissile material removed from Russian nuclear weapons pursuant to various arms control and disarmament agreements is dedicated to peaceful uses, subject to transparency measures, and protected from diversion to activities of proliferation concern. The accumulation of a large volume of weapons-

usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation and maintain in force these emergency authorities to respond to this threat.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, *June 18, 2012.*

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO NORTH KOREA -- PM 52

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, expanded in scope in Executive Order 13551 of August 30, 2010, and addressed further in Executive Order 13570 of April 18, 2011, is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2012.

The existence and risk of proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula, and the actions and policies of the Government of North Korea that destabilize the Korean Peninsula and imperil U.S. Armed Forces, allies, and trading partners in the region continue to constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to these threats and maintain in force the measures taken to deal with that national emergency.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, *June 18, 2012.*

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3304. A bill to redesignate the Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters located at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. in Washington, D.C., as the "William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building", to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the "George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building", and to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington D.C., as the "Eliot Ness ATF Building", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 3305. A bill to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 3306. A bill to establish a United States Boxing Commission to administer the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3307. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the credit for increasing research activities, to increase such credit for amounts paid or incurred for qualified research occurring in the United States, and to increase the domestic production activities deduction for the manufacture of property substantially all of the research and development of which occurred in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 3308. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 3309. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. Res. 495. A resolution designating the period beginning on June 17, 2012, and ending on June 23, 2012, as "Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week", and raising awareness and understanding of polycystic kidney disease and the impact such disease has on patients; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 933

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 933, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and increase the exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders.

S. 1119

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1119, a bill to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2077

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2077, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2168

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2168, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3235

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] were added as cosponsors of S. 3235, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3257, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction.

S. 3263

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3263, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes.

S. 3287

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3287, a bill to protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of the unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 37

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 37, a joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 42, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of

Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

SENATE RESOLUTION 473

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 473, a resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

PREAMBLE TO RESOLUTION S. RES. 488 AMENDED

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the resolution (S. Res. 488) commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine having been agreed to on Thursday, June 7, 2012, it be in order for an amendment (Numbered 2458) to be considered proposed to the preamble thereto, and agreed to.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL DAY OF THE AMERICAN COWBOY"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 470) designating July 28, 2012, as "National Day of the American Cowboy".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK"

On the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 495) designating the period beginning on June 17, 2012, and ending on June 23, 2012, as "Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week", and raising awareness and understanding of polycystic kidney disease and the impact such disease has on patients, submitted today by Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. HATCH), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, there be a period of two hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That, at 2:15 p.m., the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3240, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

At 9:05 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2407, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2406, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2391), contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The motion to recommit with instructions was withdrawn (taking with it amendments Numbered 2406 and 2407 thereto).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The amendment No. 2390 was withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The amendment No. 2389 was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order yesterday.

On motion by Mr. AKAKA to further amend the bill by striking section 5102, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2440).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. THUNE) to further amend the bill on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2396).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Ms. AYOTTE (for herself and Mr. COBURN) to further amend the bill on page 568, by striking all beginning on line 6 through line 11, on page 574, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2192).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 38, nays... 61

[Rollcall Vote No. 123 Leg.]

YEAS --- 38

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 61

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TESTER for Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. TESTER) to further amend the bill on page 128, after line 16, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2429).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, it be in order for Ms. SNOWE to propose an amendment.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

On motion by Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Ms. COLLINS) to further amend the bill on page 115, by striking all beginning on line 12 through line 13, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2190).

Ms. SNOWE, by unanimous consent, modified her pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2190, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 66, nays... 33

[Rollcall Vote No. 124 Leg.]

YEAS --- 66

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Inouye, Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 33

Alexander, Barrasso, Bennet, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Lugar, Nelson (NE), Paul, Risch, Thune, Udall (CO), Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. TIM JOHNSON) to further amend the bill on page 140, by striking line 1 and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2167).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 75, nays... 24

[Rollcall Vote No. 125 Leg.]

YEAS --- 75

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Coons, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 24

Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Cochran, Conrad, Cornyn, Graham, Hagan, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Landrieu, Leahy, Moran, Pryor, Sanders, Sessions, Shelby, Vitter, Warner, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for himself, Mr. BEN NELSON, and Mr. FRANKEN) to further amend the bill on page 574, after

line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2445).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 55, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 126 Leg.]

YEAS --- 55

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS to further amend the bill on page 312, after line 8, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2174).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 56

[Rollcall Vote No. 127 Leg.]

YEAS—43

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS—56

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. HOEVEN) to further amend the bill on page 361, after line 8, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2370).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 58, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 128 Leg.]

YEAS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BEN NELSON to further amend the bill on page 335, after line 8, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2243).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS to further amend the bill on page 335, after line 8, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2172).

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2172 to the bill, as amended.

After debate

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 41, nays... 58

[Rollcall Vote No. 129 Leg.]

YEAS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CASEY to further amend the bill on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2238).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 73, nays... 26

[Rollcall Vote No. 130 Leg.]

YEAS --- 73

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 26

Barrasso, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Coburn, Cochran, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Hatch, Hoeven, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL to further amend the bill by striking section 1605, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2181).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 15, nays... 84

[Rollcall Vote No. 131 Leg.]

YEAS --- 15

Ayotte, Burr, DeMint, Hatch, Heller, Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Lee, McCain, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Rubio, Toomey.

NAYS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. HAGAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. CARDIN) to further amend the bill on page 970, after line 5, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2426).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. KYL) to further amend the bill by striking section 2207, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2422).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. ALEXANDER to further amend the bill on page 596, after line 12, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2191).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ALEXANDER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 33, nays... 66

[Rollcall Vote No. 132 Leg.]

YEAS --- 33

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 66

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. KERRY for Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BILL NELSON, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ENZI, Mr. RISCH, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. KIRK, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. BAUCUS) to further amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2199).

Pending debate,

Mr. WICKER requested the yeas and nays on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

There was not a sufficient second.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2199 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. KERRY to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. KERRY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) to further amend the bill on page 968, after line 4, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2309).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 76, nays... 23

[Rollcall Vote No. 133 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 23

Barrasso, Coats, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY to further amend the bill on page 980, by striking all beginning on line 13 through line 20, on page 983 (being amendment No. 2217).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 42, nays... 57

[Rollcall Vote No. 134 Leg.]

YEAS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. REED, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. CARDIN) to further amend the bill on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2156).

Mrs. GILLIBRAND, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2156, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 33, nays... 66

[Rollcall Vote No. 135 Leg.]

YEAS --- 33

Akaka, Begich, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Coons, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Heller, Kerry, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 66

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Franken, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the bill on page 770, by striking all beginning on line 7 through line 11, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2263).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 45, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 136 Leg.]

YEAS --- 45

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. MERKLEY) to further amend the bill in title XI, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2366).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2262).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE) to further amend the bill on page 398, line 1, after "farmer" by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2187).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2268).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 14, nays... 84

[Rollcall Vote No. 137 Leg.]

YEAS --- 14

Ayotte, Burr, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Graham, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, Paul, Rubio, Toomey.

NAYS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU to further amend the bill on page 508, by striking all beginning on line 13 through line 14, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2321).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2276).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 20, nays... 79

[Rollcall Vote No. 138 Leg.]

YEAS --- 20

Ayotte, Brown (MA), Burr, Coats, Coburn, Cornyn, DeMint, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Rubio, Sessions, Toomey.

NAYS --- 79

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, it be in order for an amendment (Numbered 2202), to be proposed by Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. CRAPO).

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 37

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That time for debate on the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 37) to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units, as pursuant to the order of yesterday, be in order on today, notwithstanding the motion not yet having been made.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6528. A communication from the Inspector General of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the audit of the financial statements of the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6529. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Award Fee for Service and End-Item Contracts" (RIN2700-AD70), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6530. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department of Transportation, Research and Innovative Technology Administration in the position of Administrator, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6531. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration in the position of Administrator, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6532. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Llano, Texas)" (MB Docket No. 11-168, RM-11642), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6533. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB85 and RIN0648-BB27), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6534. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Snapper Grouper Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6535. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC001), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6536. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Recreational Management Measures for the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; Fishing Year 2012" (RIN0648-BC07), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6537. A communication from the Chairman, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two violations of the Antideficiency Act; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6538. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Methyl bromide; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9352-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6539. A communication from the Acting Director of the Legislative Affairs Division, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeal Procedures" (RIN0578-AA59), received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6540. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Chronic Wasting Disease Herd Certification Program and Interstate Movement of Farmed or Captive Deer, Elk, and Moose" ((RIN0579-AC35)(Docket No. 00-108-8)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6541. A communication from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management reports and statements on system of internal controls for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6542. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6543. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessment of Fees on Large Bank Holding Companies and Nonbank Financial Companies Supervised by the Federal Reserve Board To Cover the Expenses of the Financial Research Fund" (RIN1505-AC42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 14, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6544. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revisions to the Georgia State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9686-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6545. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Massachusetts; Determination of Attainment of the 1997 Ozone Standard for the Western Massachusetts Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9688-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6546. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Determination of Failure to Attain the 1-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9688-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6547. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval, Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Utah; Maintenance Plan for the 1-Hour Ozone Standard for Salt Lake and Davis Counties" (FRL No. 9683-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6548. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TSCA Inventory Update Reporting Modifications; Chemical Data Reporting; 2012 Submission Period Extension" (FRL No. 9353-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6549. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Dusky Gopher Frog (Previously Mississippi Gopher Frog)" (RIN1018-AW89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6550. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of Critical Habitat for the Pacific Coast Population of the Western Snowy Plover" (RIN1018-AX10), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6551. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6552. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-061); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6553. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-041); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6554. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-026); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6555. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Health, United States, 2011"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6556. A communication from the Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the National Prevention, Health Promotion and Public Health Council's 2012 annual status report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6557. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, and Handling of Food" (Docket No. FDA-2007-F-0390), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 14, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6558. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Review of HIV Program Effectiveness"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6559. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6560. A communication from the Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the

Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6561. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6562. A communication from the Program Manager, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residency Requirements for Aliens Acquiring Firearms" (RIN1140-AA44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 14, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6563. A communication from the Program Manager, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Firearms Disabilities for Certain Nonimmigrant Aliens" (RIN1140-AA08), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 14, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6564. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Hart-Scott-Rodino Annual Report: Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 3310. A bill to direct the President, in consultation with the Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of Defense, to establish guidelines for United States foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3311. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado:

S. 3312. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the system of public financing for Presidential elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3313. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 3314. A bill to specifically authorize certain funds for an intelligence or intelligence-related activity and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. AKAKA):

S.J. Res. 45. A joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. Res. 496. A resolution observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 497. A resolution congratulating the Los Angeles Kings on winning the 2012 Stanley Cup Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. COONS, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CORKER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Res. 498. A resolution designating June 20, 2012, as "American Eagle Day", and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. Res. 499. A resolution recognizing the tenth anniversary of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 227

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 227, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2060

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2060, a bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error.

S. 2077

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr.

SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2077, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2124

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2124, a bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources by the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the dissemination of such materials and resources by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

S. 2258

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2258, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3178

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3178, a bill to amend section 1951 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the Hobbs Act), and for other purposes.

S. 3225

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3225, a bill to require the United States Trade Representative to provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3257, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction.

S. 3280

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3280, a bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

S. 3286

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3286, a bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3290, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 3308

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3308, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 41, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 47

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 47, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus over all of the territory of the island of Cyprus.

SENATE RESOLUTION 473

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 473, a resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

SENATE RESOLUTION 489

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 489, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. KERRY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Forty Years and Counting: The Triumphs of Title IX" on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Confronting the Looming Fiscal Crisis."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

The Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Review of Recent Environmental Protection Agency's Air Standards for Hydraulically Fractured Natural Gas Wells and Oil and Natural Gas Storage."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Reassessing Solitary Confinement: The Human Rights, Fiscal and Public Safety Consequences."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:23 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 404. An act to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior.

S. 684. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah.

S. 997. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

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

H.R. 1272. An act to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al., by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1556. An act to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3668. An act to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs.

H.R. 4027. An act to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes".

At 2:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4310. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1272. An act to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 1556. An act to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 3668. An act to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4027. An act to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4310. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

JOINT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

The following joint resolution was discharged pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 37. Joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units.

AUTHORIZING CERTAIN FUNDS FOR AN INTELLIGENCE OR INTELLIGENCE-RELATED ACTIVITY

On the request of Mrs. BOXER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3314) to specifically authorize certain funds for an intelligence or intelligence-related activity and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. CHAMBLISS), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

OBSERVING THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY

On the request of Mrs. BOXER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 496) observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day, submitted today by Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. SCHUMER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE LOS ANGELES KINGS ON WINNING THE 2012 STANLEY CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

On the request of Mrs. BOXER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 497) congratulating the Los Angeles Kings on winning the 2012 Stanley Cup Championship, submitted today by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "AMERICAN EAGLE DAY"

On the request of Mrs. BOXER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 498) designating June 20, 2012, as "American Eagle Day", and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States, submitted today by Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. COONS, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CORKER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. SESSIONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BIOMEDICAL IMAGING AND BIOENGINEERING

On the request of Mrs. BOXER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 499) recognizing the tenth anniversary of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the minority leader then be recognized to move to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 37; that time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 15 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 15 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, at 11:30 a.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion to proceed; that, if the motion is agreed to, remaining provisions of the order of yesterday in relation thereto remain in effect; and that, if the motion is not agreed to, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3240 and disposition of amendments, as pursuant to the order of yesterday.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. BOXER,

At 9:49 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 20, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940:

HARRY REID, TIM JOHNSON, AL FRANKEN, PATRICK LEAHY, CHRIS COONS, TOM HARKIN, B. A. MIKULSKI, KENT CONRAD, ROBERT MENENDEZ, JACK REED, BARBARA BOXER, BEN NELSON, MICHAEL F. BENNET, MAX BAUCUS, MARK BEGICH, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, KAY. R. HAGAN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That motions to reconsider votes in relation to amendments on yesterday be considered made and laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 37

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MCCONNELL that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 37) to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to

emission standards for certain steam generating units.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CARDIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The hour of 11:30 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 139 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 53

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The foregoing motion to proceed to consider joint resolution S.J. Res. 37 not having been agreed to,

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE) to further amend the bill, on page 361, after line 8, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2345).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. TESTER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CORKER, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. HAGAN) to further amend the bill, on page 970, after line 5, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2382).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 63, nays... 36

[Rollcall Vote No. 140 Leg.]

YEAS --- 63

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 36

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. DEMINT to further amend the bill, on page 765, by striking all beginning on line 9 through line 16, on page 766, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2273).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 44, nays... 55

[Rollcall Vote No. 141 Leg.]

YEAS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 55

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to further amend the bill on page 293, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 19, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2289).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 30, nays... 69

[Rollcall Vote No. 142 Leg.]

YEAS --- 30

Alexander, Ayotte, Burr, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 69

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL),

Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified.

On motion by Mr. COBURN to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2293).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 63, nays... 36

[Rollcall Vote No. 143 Leg.]

YEAS --- 63

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 36

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Blumenthal, Boxer, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Subsequently (on Thursday, June 21, 2012):

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That on rollcall vote No. 143, her vote be changed from "yea" to "nay", thus changing the result to yeas 62, nays 37.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW to further amend the bill, on page 1006, after line 21, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2453).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That Ms. SNOWE be added as a cosponsor of her pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2453 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. BEGICH to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. KLOBUCHAR,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, as modified,

On motion by Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) to further amend the bill in title III, subtitle A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2454).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. KERRY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 59, nays... 40

[Rollcall Vote No. 144 Leg.]

YEAS --- 59

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. KERRY to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. KYL to further amend the bill in title III, subtitle A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2354).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. KYL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 56

[Rollcall Vote No. 145 Leg.]

YEAS --- 43

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 56

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. KERRY to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. TOM UDALL) to further amend the bill on page 866, line 21, by striking "$100,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "200,000,000" (being amendment No. 2295).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROBERTS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 77, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 146 Leg.]

YEAS --- 77

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD),

Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

NAYS --- 22

Ayotte, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Grassley, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Lee, McCaskill, Moran, Paul, Portman, Rubio, Toomey, Vitter, Wyden.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. LEE to further amend the bill, on page 862, by striking all beginning on line 15 through line 2, on page 863, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2313).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 21, nays... 77

[Rollcall Vote No. 147 Leg.]

YEAS --- 21

Barrasso, Blunt, Coats, Coburn, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Hatch, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Rubio, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 77

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. BENNET, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. CRAPO) to further amend the bill by striking section 6104, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2457).

Mr. WARNER, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2457, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. LEE to further amend the bill by striking subtitles A and B of title II, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2314).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 15, nays... 84

[Rollcall Vote No. 148 Leg.]

YEAS --- 15

Ayotte, Coats, Coburn, Corker, DeMint, Hatch, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, Murkowski, Paul, Rubio, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Ms. STABENOW to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW (for Mr. SCHUMER) to further amend the bill, on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2427).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. WYDEN to further amend the bill on page 360, after line 24, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2388).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. PRYOR) to further amend the bill on page 860, after line 15, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2355).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. WYDEN to further amend the bill in section 3201 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (as added by section 5001), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2442).

Pending debate,

Ms. STABENOW requested the yeas and nays on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

There was not a sufficient second.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2442 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS) to further amend the bill by striking subsection (a) of section 4012, and at the appropriate place in title IV, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2360).

Mr. BOOZMAN, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2360, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. BOOZMAN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 35, nays... 63

[Rollcall Vote No. 149 Leg.]

YEAS --- 35

Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Kyl, Lugar, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 63

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

Mr. PAUL, when his name was called, answered "present".

So the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) to further amend the bill on page 652, after line 12, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2204).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY to further amend the bill on page 888, by striking all beginning on line 5 through line 21, on page 890 (being amendment No. 2226).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 36, nays... 63

[Rollcall Vote No. 150 Leg.]

YEAS --- 36

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Begich, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Vitter.

NAYS --- 63

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BEN NELSON (for himself, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. TESTER) to further amend the bill in title XII, subtitle C, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2242).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. LUGAR) to further amend the bill, by striking subtitle C of title I, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2433).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 151 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Carper, Casey, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Paul, Portman, Reed, Sessions, Shaheen, Snowe, Toomey, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 53

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Boxer, Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Chambliss, Cochran, Conrad, Crapo, Enzi, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. HOEVEN) to further amend the bill on page 782, after line 14, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2299).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. LEE to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry with instructions to report back forthwith with reduction in spending to 2008 levels such that overall spending not exceed $714,247,000,000.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 29, nays... 70

[Rollcall Vote No. 152 Leg.]

YEAS --- 29

Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Burr, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 70

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Ms. STABENOW, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Ms. AYOTTE (for herself and Mr. COBURN) amendment No. 2195; Mr. BLUNT, amendment No. 2246; Mr. MORAN, amendments Numbered 2403 and 2443; and Mr. VITTER, amendment No. 2363, as modified.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. HAGAN, and Mr. COONS) to further amend the bill on page 805, by striking all beginning on line 18 through line 22, and inserting in lieu other words (being amendment No. 2287).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. RON JOHNSON to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry with instructions to report back forthwith after removing the title on nutrition, and after reporting back to the Senate as a separate bill said title on nutrition.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. RON JOHNSON,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 40, nays... 59

[Rollcall Vote No. 153 Leg.]

YEAS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 59

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SANDERS to further amend the bill on page 914, line 14, by striking "Section" and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2254).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the vote agreeing to amendment No. 2363, as modified, be vitiated; that the question recur on agreeing to the amendment, as modified; and that said amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2363, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. VITTER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 88, nays... 11

[Rollcall Vote No. 154 Leg.]

YEAS --- 88

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 11

Alexander, Bingaman, Burr, Coburn, DeMint, Graham, Inhofe, Lee, Paul, Rubio, Sessions.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CHAMBLISS to further amend the bill in title II, subtitle G, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2438).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CHAMBLISS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 52, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 155 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Bennet, Bingaman, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Collins, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Tester, Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 47

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Blumenthal, Blunt, Cantwell, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Gillibrand, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. THUNE to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2437).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. THUNE,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 44, nays... 55

[Rollcall Vote No. 156 Leg.]

YEAS --- 44

Alexander, Barrasso, Begich, Blunt, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Collins, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reid, Risch, Roberts, Sanders, Schumer, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 55

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Coburn, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Corker, DeMint, Durbin, Franken, Graham, Grassley, Harkin,

Inouye, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shaheen, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN for Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2439).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 66, nays... 33

[Rollcall Vote No. 157 Leg.]

YEAS --- 66

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, DeMint, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Graham, Grassley, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCain, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 33

Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Gillibrand, Hagan, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Landrieu, Leahy, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Nelson (NE), Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Sanders, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. DURBIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) to further amend the bill on page 69, by striking line 15, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2340).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified.

On motion by Mr. CHAMBLISS to further amend the bill, in section 10003(7), by striking subparagraph (A) (being amendment No. 2432).

After debate,

The amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW for Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. MARK UDALL) to further amend the bill on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2202).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Wednesday, June 20, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 404. A bill to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior.

S. 684. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah.

S. 997. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6565. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller, account 2182010, during fiscal year 2008 and was assigned Army case number 10-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6566. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Swap Data Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements: Pre-Enactment and Transition Swaps" (RIN3038-AD48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 15, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6567. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Core Principles and Other Requirements for Designated Contract Markets" (RIN3038-AD09), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6568. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Acquisition of Tents and Other Temporary Structures" ((RIN0750-AH73)(DFARS Case 2012-D015)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6569. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6570. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wassenaar Arrangement 2011 Plenary Agreements Implementation: Commerce Control List, Definitions, New Participating State (Mexico) and Reports" (RIN0694-AF50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6571. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Advance Notification to Native American Tribes of Transportation of Certain Types of Nuclear Waste" (RIN3150-AG41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6572. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2012" (RIN3150-AJ03), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6573. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Failure to Attain the One-Hour Ozone Standard by 2007, Determination of Current Attainment of the One-Hour Ozone Standard, Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone Standards for the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island Nonattainment Area in Connecticut, New Jersey and New York" (FRL No. 9682-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6574. A communication from the Commissioners of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment Access Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6575. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-039, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6576. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, an Information Transmittal pursuant to 308(a) of the Intelligence Authorization Act (OSS-2012-1018); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6577. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, the report of a determination pursuant to Section 620H of the FAA, and Section 7021 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Appropriations, 2012 (Div. I, P.L. 112-74) regarding U.S. assistance (OSS-2012-1017); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6578. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-047, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6579. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-076, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6580. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to defense articles and defense services that were licensed for export under Section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act for fiscal year 2011 (OSS-2012-1019); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6581. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2930); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6582. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2931); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6583. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-016); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6584. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-058); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6585. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-087); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6586. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-082); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6587. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard for All-Terrain Vehicles" (16 CFR Part 1420), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6588. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standards for Portable Bed Rails: Final Rule" (16 CFR Part 1224), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6589. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Testing and Labeling Pertaining to Product Certification" (16 CFR Part 1107), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6590. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Consumer Registration of Durable Infant or Toddler Products" (16 CFR Part 1130), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6591. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Halibut and Sablefish Individual Fishing Quota Program" (RIN0648-AX91), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6592. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-AC013), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6593. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (12); Amdt. No. 3481" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6594. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (111); Amdt. No. 3480" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6595. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (20); Amdt. No. 3479" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6596. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (60); Amdt. No. 3478" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6597. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (45); Amdt. No. 3477" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6598. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (210); Amdt. No. 3476" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6599. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (25); Amdt. No. 3471" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6600. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (186); Amdt. No. 3470" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6601. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Standards for Traffic Control Devices; the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; Revision" (RIN2125-AF43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6602. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Standards for Traffic Control Devices; the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; Revision; Final Rule" (RIN2125-AF41), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6603. A communication from the Senior Regulations Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs: 6-acetylmorphine (6-AM) Testing" (RIN2105-AE14), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6604. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Operations In Class D Airspace" ((RIN2120-AK10)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1396)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6605. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of VOR Federal Airways V-10, V-12, and V-508 in the Vicinity of Olathe, KS" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0055)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6606. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Area R-2101; Anniston Army Depot, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0510)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6607. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Baltimore, MD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0014)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6608. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Cocoa Beach, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0099)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6609. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Springhill, LA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0847)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6610. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Baraboo, WI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1403)), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6611. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Maryville, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0434)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6612. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Pender, NE" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1103)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6613. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Monahans, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1400)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6614. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Branson West, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0749)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6615. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Eldon, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1104)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6616. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; New Philadelphia, OH" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0607)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6617. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Houston, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0903)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6618. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Leesville, LA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0608)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6619. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Red Cloud, NE" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0426)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6620. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Freer, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0904)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6621. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rock Springs, WY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0131)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6622. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0384)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6623. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1169)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6624. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0998)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6625. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0534)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 385. A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 402. A resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 429. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

S. Res. 473. A resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second

times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 3315. A bill to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3316. A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to carry out a pilot program on providing veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COONS, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3317. A bill to restore the effective use of group actions for claims arising under title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, section 1977 of the Revised Statutes, and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 3318. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 3319. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to revise the route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota to include existing hiking trails along the north shore of Lake Superior, in the Superior National Forest, and in the Chippewa National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. 3320. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive the 30-day waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3321. A bill to promote permanent families for children, privacy and safety for unwed mothers, responsible fatherhood, and security for adoptive parents by establishing a National Responsible Father Registry and encouraging States to enter into agreements to contribute the information contained in the State's Responsible Father Registry to the National Responsible Father Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. COONS, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3322. A bill to strengthen enforcement and clarify certain provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code, and to reconcile, restore, clarify, and conform similar provisions in other related civil rights statutes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3323. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to improve the protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3324. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award grants to nonprofit organizations for the construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CASEY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. Res. 500. A resolution celebrating the accomplishments of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, and recognizing the need to continue pursuing the goal of equal educational opportunities for all women and girls; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. Res. 501. A resolution supporting National Men's Health Week; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. Res. 502. A resolution celebrating the 150th anniversary of the signing of the First Morrill Act; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 555

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 811

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 811, a bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to

assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3233

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3233, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3235

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3235, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3289

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3289, a bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3290, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 3292

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3292, a bill to require the United States International Trade Commission to recommend temporary duty suspensions and reductions to Congress, and for other purposes.

S. 3313

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3313, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] and the Senator from New York

[Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 402

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 402, a resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

SENATE RESOLUTION 446

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 446, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations should not be allowed to exercise control over the Internet.

SENATE RESOLUTION 473

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 473, a resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

SENATE RESOLUTION 482

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, her name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 482, a resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

SENATE RESOLUTION 489

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 489, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 494, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 496

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, her name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 496, a resolution observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SANDERS,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-115 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the United States Patent and Trademark Office: Implementation of the Leahy-Smith American Invents Act and International Harmonization Efforts."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 20, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-115 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Holocaust-Era Claims in the 21st Century."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECURITIES, INSURANCE, AND INVESTMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 20, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining the IPO Process: Is It Working for Ordinary Investors?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND SPACE

The Subcommittee on Science and Space of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Risks, Opportunities, and Oversight of Commercial Space."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:16 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 404. An act to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior.

S. 684. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah.

S. 997. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 2:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2578. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2938. An act to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona.

At 4:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 3187. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2578. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2938. An act to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

CELEBRATING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1972

On the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 500) celebrating the accomplishments of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, and recognizing the need to continue pursuing the goal of equal educational opportunities for all women and girls, submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CASEY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL MEN'S HEALTH WEEK

On the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 501) supporting National Men's Health Week, submitted today by Mr. CRAPO, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE FIRST MORRILL ACT

On the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 502) celebrating the 150th anniversary of the signing of the First Morrill Act, submitted today by Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. PRYOR), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that, following remarks by the two leaders, time until 11 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 11 a.m., the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3240.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

At 7:15 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 10:30 a.m., the Reverend Ronald McCrary, Deputy Director of Chaplaincy Services, Cobb County Sheriff's Office, Marietta, Georgia, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3240) to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, be modified such that the Senate vote in relation to the following amendments in the following order:

Amendment No. 2456, intended to be proposed by Mrs. BOXER;

Amendment No. 2372, intended to be proposed by Mr. JOHANNS;

Amendment No. 2247, intended to be proposed by Mr. TOOMEY;

Amendment No. 2310, intended to be proposed by Mr. SANDERS;

Amendment No. 2214, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN;

Amendment No. 2455, intended to be proposed by Mrs. MURRAY;

Amendment No. 2162, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN; and

Amendment No. 2166, intended to be proposed by Mr. RUBIO.

Ordered further, That the remaining provisions of said order remain in effect.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to further amend the bill, on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2456).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. JOHANNS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 47, nays... 48

[Rollcall Vote No. 158 Leg.]

YEAS --- 47

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 48

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Snowe, Thune, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. JOHANNS to further amend the bill on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2372).

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. JOHANNS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 56, nays... 43

[Rollcall Vote No. 159 Leg.]

YEAS --- 56

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 43

Akaka, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Shaheen, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified).

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Ms. SNOWE) to further amend the bill, on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2247).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. TOOMEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 58, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 160 Leg.]

YEAS --- 58

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kohl, Kyl, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 41

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified).

On motion by Ms. STABENOW to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mrs. BOXER) to further amend the bill on page 1009, after line 11, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2310).

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 26, nays... 73

[Rollcall Vote No. 161 Leg.]

YEAS --- 26

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Boxer, Cantwell, Cardin, Feinstein, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lieberman, Manchin, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Tester, Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 73

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn,

Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Levin, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Moran, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. BURR, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. GRASSLEY) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2214).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 95, nays... 4

[Rollcall Vote No. 162 Leg.]

YEAS --- 95

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 4

Boxer, Landrieu, Mikulski, Rockefeller.

So the amendment was agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TESTER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Ms. COLLINS) to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2455).

Mrs. MURRAY, by unanimous consent, modified her pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2455, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. MURRAY,

Ordered, That the order that the pending amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to be vitiated.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2455, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940 AND S. 3187

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, upon disposition of the pending bill, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940; and that, if said motion is agreed to, and notwithstanding such, it be in order for the chair to lay before the Senate a House message on the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

AGRICULTURE REFORM, FOOD, AND JOBS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3240.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. RUBIO to further amend the bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2166).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. RUBIO,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 45, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 163 Leg.]

YEAS --- 45

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended; and

No further amendment being proposed,

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012, as modified,

After debate,

On motion by Ms. STABENOW,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 64, nays... 35

[Rollcall Vote No. 164 Leg.]

YEAS --- 64

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Wyden.

NAYS --- 35

Ayotte, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass (the bill having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Monday, June 18, 2012).

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY to reconsider the vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID, on yesterday, that the Senate proceed to consider bill S. 1940; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on yesterday, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 96, nays... 2

[Rollcall Vote No. 165 Leg.]

YEAS --- 96

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 2

Paul, Pryor.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL S. 3187

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. DURBIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to concur; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to bill S. 3187:

HARRY REID, TOM HARKIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, KENT CONRAD, JACK REED, CHRIS COONS, MARK BEGICH, JOHN KERRY, CHUCK SCHUMER, B. A. MIKULSKI, BEN CARDIN, ROBERT MENENDEZ, J. LIEBERMAN, M. LANDRIEU, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, PATTY MURRAY, TOM CARPER.

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the bill, with an amendment (Numbered 2461).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 2462).

On motion by Mr. REID to refer the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with instructions to report back forthwith an amendment (Numbered 2463).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions contained in the pending motion, by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2464).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2465).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2465 to amendment No. 2464 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2463) contained in the motion to refer, with instructions, the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6626. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Substantially Underserved Trust Areas (SUTA)" (RIN0572-AC23), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6627. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sedaxane; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9345-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6628. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed change by the Air National Guard to the Fiscal Year 2012 National Guard and Reserve Equipment Appropriation (NGREA) procurement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6629. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Only One Offer" ((RIN0750-AH11)(DFARS Case 2012-

D013)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6630. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Applicability of Hexavalent Chromium Policy to Commercial Items" ((RIN0750-AH39)(DFARS Case 2011-D047)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6631. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, the report of proposed legislation entitled "National Park System Critical Authorities Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6632. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eligible Obligations, Charitable Contributions, Nonmember Deposits, Fixed Assets, Investments, Fidelity Bonds, Incidental Powers, Member Business Loans, and Regulatory Flexibility Program" (RIN3133-AD98), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6633. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loan Workouts and Nonaccrual Policy, and Regulatory Reporting of Troubled Debt Restructured Loans" (RIN3133-AE01), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6634. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, the report of proposed legislation relative to amending the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6635. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Mississippi; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9691-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6636. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Central Indiana (Indianapolis) Ozone Maintenance Plan Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets" (FRL No. 9689-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6637. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; South Carolina; Emissions Statements" (FRL No. 9689-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6638. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; South Carolina; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9691-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6639. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Alabama; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9691-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6640. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9687-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6641. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9688-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6642. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rule" (FRL No. 9353-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6643. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rules" (FRL No. 9352-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6644. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Regulatory Guide 7.3, 'Procedures for Picking Up and Receiving Packages of Radioactive Material'" (Regulatory Guide 7.3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6645. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of North Carolina; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9691-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6646. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Report to the Congress: Medicare and the Health Care Delivery System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6647. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0064 - 2012-0068); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6648. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project - Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems Centers" (CFDA No. 84.133A-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6649. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project - National Data and Statistical Center for the Burn Model Systems" (CFDA No. 84.133A-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6650. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 250. A bill to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3325. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at 10 institutions of higher education to improve student mental health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. COONS, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, and Mr. THUNE):

S. 3326. A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SCHUMER, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 3327. A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to take action to obtain the full compliance of the Russian Federation with its commitments under the protocol on the accession of the Russian Federation to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 3328. A bill to provide grants for juvenile mentoring; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 3329. A bill to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purpose; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3330. A bill to authorize the establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3331. A bill to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. INOUYE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3332. A bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. HELLER):

S. 3333. A bill to require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice to such individuals in the case of a breach of security involving such information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 3334. A bill to protect homes, small businesses, and other private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEAHY:

S. 3335. A bill to ensure the effective administration of criminal justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 3336. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project lease for a Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, Hawaii, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following concurrent resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Con. Res. 49. A concurrent resolution to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 50

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 50, a bill to strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities with respect to commercially marketed seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to coordinate

with the Federal Trade Commission and other appropriate Federal agencies to strengthen and coordinate those programs and activities.

S. 52

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 52, a bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, and for other purposes.

S. 250

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 250, a bill to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 504, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 555

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 555, a bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 886

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 886, a bill to amend the Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978 to prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing, and for other purposes.

S. 987

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 987, a bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1368

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1368, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1906

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1906, a bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program as the program applies to units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.

S. 1978

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1978, a bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for community-based job training grants, to provide Federal assistance for community college modernization, and for other purposes.

S. 1980

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1980, a bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2143

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2143, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production.

S. 2168

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2168, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor.

S. 2173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2173, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the

Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration.

S. 3234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3234, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts.

S. 3242

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3242, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare beneficiaries coordinated care and greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits.

S. 3270

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3270, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes.

S. 3289

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3289, a bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability.

S. 3322

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3322, a bill to strengthen enforcement and clarify certain provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code, and to reconcile, restore, clarify, and conform similar provisions in other related civil rights statutes, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 493

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 493, a resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Perspectives on Money Market Mutual Fund Reforms."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 9:45 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Russia's WTO Accession—Administration's Views on the Implications for the United States."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled "Implementation of the New START Treaty, and Related Matters."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Olmstead Enforcement Update: Using the ADA to Promote Community Integration" on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ANTITRUST, COMPETITION POLICY AND CONSUMER RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Universal Music Group/EMI Merger and the Future of Online Music."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the

Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Security Clearance Reform: Sustaining Progress for the Future."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, on Monday, June 25, 2012, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, and prior to 5:30 p.m., the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940 be agreed to.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

CHURCH PLAN INVESTMENT CLARIFICATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 33) to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMENDING THE EFFORTS OF THE WOMEN OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS CLUBMOBILES FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 471) commending the efforts of the women of the American Red Cross Clubmobiles for exemplary service during the Second World War.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the accompanying preamble.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Ms. COLLINS) to amend the preamble, by striking the third whereas clause through the sixth whereas clause, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2466).

The amendment was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 25, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 1940; and that, at 5:30 p.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 3187.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:40 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 25, 2012.

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, June 25, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 1940

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider bill S. 1940; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; and that the pending motion be agreed to.

FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM AND MODERNIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 1940) to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2468, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) by striking section 107 and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2469).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2470).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2468 (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2471).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 2472).

On motion by Mr. REID to recommit the pending bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2473).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2473) contained in the pending motion to recommit by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2474).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2475).

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 3187

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, June 21, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---yeas... 89, nays... 3

[Rollcall Vote No. 166 Leg.]

YEAS --- 89

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Schumer, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 3

Burr, Paul, Sanders.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The motion having been agreed to,

The pending motion to refer with instructions (designated amendment No. 2463), and amendments Numbered 2464 and 2465 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2462, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2461, contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, that the Senate concur, with amendment, in the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. LIEBERMAN asked unanimous consent, as in executive session, that at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Donna Mary Murphy, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or

debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2462 to amendment No. 2461 contained in the motion to concur, with amendment, in the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment:

S. 1379. A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service (Rept. No. 112-178).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3337. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the elimination of the Medicare sustainable growth rate (SGR) formula to ensure access to physicians' services for Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3338. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3339. A bill to allow certain Indonesian citizens to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 3340. A bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. KIRK):

S. Res. 503. A resolution designating June 2012 as "National Aphasia Awareness Month" and supporting efforts to increase awareness of aphasia; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KIRK, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. Res. 504. A resolution expressing support for the International Olympic Committee to recognize with a minute of silence at the 2012 Olympics Opening Ceremony the athletes and others killed at the 1972 Munich Olympics; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 703

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 703, a bill to amend the Long-Term Leasing Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1744

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1744, a bill to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons.

S. 1806

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1806, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2103

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2103, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3221

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3221, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3263

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3263, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes.

S. 3274

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3274, a bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

S. 3308

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3308, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes.

S. 3318

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3318, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3322

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3322, a bill to strengthen enforcement and clarify certain provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code, and to reconcile, restore, clarify, and conform similar provisions in other related civil rights statutes, and for other purposes.

S. 3326

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3326, a bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

S. 3328

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3328, a bill to provide grants for juvenile mentoring.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 489

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 489, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 3:11 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4480. An act to provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas exploration, development, and production under oil and gas leases of Federal lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Defense in response to a drawdown of petroleum reserves from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 4480. An act to provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas exploration, development, and production under oil and gas leases of Federal lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Defense in response to a drawdown of petroleum reserves from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL APHASIA AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 503) designating June 2012 as "National Aphasia Awareness Month" and supporting efforts to increase awareness of aphasia, submitted today by Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. KIRK), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING A MINUTE OF SILENCE AT THE 2012 OLYMPICS FOR THOSE KILLED AT THE 1972 MUNICH OLYMPICS

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 504) expressing support for the International Olympic Committee to recognize with a minute of silence at the 2012 Olympics Opening Ceremony the athletes and others killed at the 1972 Munich Olympics, submitted today by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KIRK, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. BOOZMAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that, following remarks by the two leaders, there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That, at 2:15 p.m., there be 6 hours, 15 minutes for debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to bill S. 3187, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate; and that Mr. HARKIN control 2 hours therein, Mr. BURR control 4 hours therein, and Mr. PAUL control 15 minutes therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 7:10 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 3187

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the amendment received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 3187) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the House amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2462, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2461 contained in the motion, by Mr. REID that the Senate concur, with amendment, in the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 11:30 a.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session (and after consideration of executive business, involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, June 21, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 3187

The Senate resumed consideration of the House amendment to bill S. 3187.

The question being on agreeing to the motion, by Mr. REID, that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That Mr. BURR control time until 4:40 p.m.; that, following remarks by him, Mr. HARKIN be recognized to speak for 5 minutes; that, following remarks by him, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate and as pursuant to the order of yesterday, be concluded; that the motion to concur in the House amendment with an amendment be withdrawn; and that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to concur in the House amendment to the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2462 to amendment No. 2461 contained in the motion that the Senate concur, with amendment, in the House amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The motion to concur in the House amendment with an amendment (Numbered 2461) was withdrawn (taking with it amendment No. 2462 thereto).

The question being taken on agreeing to the motion to concur in the House amendment to the bill.

It was determined in the affirmative---

yeas... 92, nays... 4

[Rollcall Vote No. 168 Leg.]

YEAS --- 92

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 4

Burr, Coburn, Paul, Sanders.

So it was

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the House amendment to the bill.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-102. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Alaska in support of providing TRICARE program health care benefits to United States Coast Guard and military retirees as promised; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE RESOLVE NO. 10

Whereas recruiting and maintaining a high-quality, all-volunteer, effective military force to safeguard national security is a primary goal of the United States Department of Defense; and

Whereas persons who volunteer for military service are at risk of mortal harm throughout the time they serve; and

Whereas the people of the state and nation rely on the men and women who serve in the military to execute faithfully that service; and

Whereas it is reasonable for the men and women who serve in the military to rely on promises made to them by the people of the state and nation; and

Whereas men and women who serve in the military and the United States Coast Guard have been promised they will receive military retiree health care benefits from the TRICARE program of the United States Department of Defense Military Health System (10 U.S.C. 55) after they perform 20 or more years of honorable military service; and

Whereas breaking that promise would be dishonorable; be it

Resolved that the House of Representatives supports providing to military retirees who have kept their oaths of office and served the people of the state and nation the TRICARE program health care benefits they were promised in exchange for that service without their being required to participate in health care programs that are more expensive to them than the TRICARE program and without their eligibility for TRICARE program health care benefits being made subject to means testing.

POM-103. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Massachusetts supporting the inclusion of Taiwan in international organizations and agreements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Taiwan, a beacon of freedom and democracy in the Asia-Pacific region, held a successful general election on January 14, 2012, during which it elected a president, vice-president and members of its legislature; and

Whereas, the recently re-elected president Ma Ying-Jeou has worked tirelessly to uphold democratic principles in Taiwan, ensure the prosperity of the people of Taiwan, promote Taiwan's international standing as a responsible member of the international community, increase participation in international organizations, dispatch humanitarian missions abroad and further improve relations between the United States and Taiwan; and

Whereas, the commonwealth has enjoyed an especially close relationship with Taiwan, marked by strong bilateral trade, educational and cultural exchange and scientific and technological development; and

Whereas, on November 12, 2011, United States President Barack Obama and the leaders of 8 Transpacific partnership countries announced the establishment of broad outlines for a 21st century Transpacific partnership agreement to forge close linkages among the partner countries' economies, enhance competitiveness and benefit consumers; and

Whereas, the latest data indicates that 8,797 companies exported goods from Massachusetts in 2009, rendering the Asia-Pacific market the Commonwealth's largest export market in the world; and

Whereas, thirteen billion dollars, or 50 per cent, of Massachusetts' total exports went to markets in the Asia-Pacific region, supporting an estimated 134,000 jobs; and

Whereas, the United Nations framework convention on climate change is the world's leading response to global clmate change and Taiwan has expressed a keen interest in being included in the convention's work and in contributing to the global effort addressing climate change; and

Whereas, Taiwan serves as a critical air transport hub in the Asia-Pacific region and the Taipei flight information region under Taiwan's jurisdiction covers an area of 176,000 square nautical miles, through which 1.35 million controlled flights pass each year; and

Whereas, the travelling public would benefit from the inclusion of Taiwan in the International Civil Aviation Organization; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Massachusetts General Court hereby congratulates the people of Taiwan on their recent elections and further expresses its support for Taiwan's inclusion in international organizations and agreements; and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted forthwith by the clerk of the Senate to the President of the United States, the presiding officer of each branch of Congress and to the members thereof from the Commonwealth, to the Honorable Deval Patrick, Governor of the Commonwealth, to the Honorable Ma Ying-Jeou, president of Taiwan and to Anne Hung, Director-General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Boston.

POM-104. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona opposing sections of the National Defense Authorization Act as being in violation of the limits of federal power; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1011

Whereas, the Congress of the United States passed the National Defense Authorization Act, 2011 Public Law 112-81, ("2012 NDAA") for fiscal year 2012 on December 15, 2011; and

Whereas, the President of the United States signed the 2012 NDAA into law on December 31, 2011; and

Whereas, section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA purports to authorize, but does not require, the President of the United States to use the armed forces of the United States to detain persons the President suspects were part of, or substantially supported, Al-Oaeda, the Taliban or associated forces; and

Whereas, section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA purports to authorize, but does not require, the President of the United States, through the armed forces of the United States, to dispose of such detained persons according to the Law of War, which may include: (1) indefinite detention without charge or trial until the end of hostilities authorized by the 2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Terrorists, 2001 Public Law 107-40: (2) prosecution through a military commission; or (3) transfer to a foreign country or foreign entity; and

Whereas, section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA seeks to preserve existing law and authorities pertaining to the detention of United States citizens, lawful resident aliens of the United States and any other person captured in the United States, but does not specify what such existing law or authorities are; and

Whereas, section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA purports to enlarge the scope of the persons the Office of the President may indefinitely detain beyond those responsible for the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, and those who harbored them, as purportedly authorized by the 2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Terrorists, to now include "[a] person who was a part of or substantially supported Al-Oaeda, the Taliban, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners, including any person who has committed a belligerent act or has directly supported such hostilities in aid of such enemy forces"; and

Whereas, section 1022 of the 2012 NDAA requires the armed forces of the United States to detain, pending disposition according to the Law of War, any person involved in, or who provided substantial support to, terrorism or belligerent acts against the United States, and who is a member of Al-Qaeda or an associated force; and

Whereas, the exemption for citizens of the United States in section 1022 of the 2012 NDAA only exempts them from a requirement to detain and reads as follows, "The requirement to detain a person in military custody under this section does not extend to citizens of the United States"; and

Whereas, unlike section 1022 of the 2012 NDAA, section 1021 makes no specific exclusion for United States citizens and lawful resident aliens for conduct occurring within the United States; and

Whereas, the specific exclusion of application to United States citizens and lawful resident aliens contained in section 1022 of the 2012 NDAA, and the absence of such an exclusion in section 1021 of the NDAA, strongly implies that the provisions of section 1021 are intended to apply to all people, including United States citizens and lawful resident aliens. whether or not they are captured in the United States; and

Whereas, the Office of the President of the United States, under the administrations of both George W. Bush and Barack Obama, has asserted that the 2001 Authorization for the Use of Military Force Against Terrorists allows the Office of the President to indefinitely detain without charge persons, including United States citizens and lawful resident aliens, who are captured in the United States; and

Whereas, United States Senator Carl Levin declared on the floor of the United States Senate that the original 2012 NDAA provided that section 1021 (then section 1031 prior to final drafting) specifically would not apply to United States citizens, but that the Office of the President of the United States had requested that such a restriction be removed from the 2012 NDAA; and

Whereas, during debate in the Senate and before the passage of the 2012 NDAA, United States Senator Mark Udall introduced an amendment intended to forbid the indefinite detention of United States citizens, which was rejected by a vote of 38-60; and

Whereas, United States Senator John McCain and United States Senator Lindsey Graham declared on the floor of the United States Senate that section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA authorized the indefinite detention of United States citizens captured within the United States by the armed forces of the United States; and

Whereas, United States Senator Lindsey Graham declared on the floor of the United

States Senate that the United States homeland is now part of "the battlefield"; and

Whereas, policing the United States by the armed forces of the United States, as purportedly authorized by the 2012 NDAA, overturns the posse comitatus doctrine and is repugnant to a free society; and

Whereas, sections 1021 and 1022 of the 2012 NDAA, as they purport to authorize the detainment of persons captured within the United States without charge or trial, military tribunals for persons captured within the United States and the transfer of persons captured within the United States to foreign jurisdictions, violate the following rights enshrined in the Constitution of the United States:

Article I, section 9, clause 2 right to seek a writ of habeas corpus.

The First Amendment right to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

The Fourth Amendment right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures.

The Fifth Amendment right to be free from charge for an infamous or capitol crime until presentment or indictment by a grand jury.

The Fifth Amendment right to be free from deprivation of life, liberty or property without due process of law.

The Sixth Amendment right in criminal prosecutions to enjoy a speedy trial by an impartial jury in the state and district where the crime was allegedly committed.

The Sixth Amendment right to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation.

The Sixth Amendment right to confront witnesses.

The Sixth Amendment right to counsel.

The Eighth Amendment right to be free from excessive bail and fines, and cruel and unusual punishment.

The Fourteenth Amendment right to be free from deprivation of life, liberty or property without due process of law.

Whereas, the members of the Legislature of Arizona have taken an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Arizona; and

Whereas, this Legislature opposes any and all rules, laws, regulations, bill language or executive orders that amount to an overreach of the federal government and that effectively take away civil liberties; and

Whereas, it is indisputable that the threat of terrorism is real and that the full force of appropriate and constitutional law must be used to defeat this threat, yet winning the war against terror cannot come at the great expense of mitigating basic, fundamental constitutional rights; and

Whereas, undermining our own constitutional rights serves only to concede to the terrorists' demands of changing the fabric of what made the United States of America a country of freedom, liberty and opportunity; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring:

1. That the Members of the Legislature condemn sections 1021 and 1022 of the 2012 NDAA as they purport to repeal posse comitatus and authorize the President of the United States to use the armed forces of the United States to police American citizens, to indefinitely detain persons captured within the United States without charge until the end of hostilities as purportedly authorized by the 2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force, to subject persons captured within the United States to military tribunals, and to transfer persons captured within the United States to a foreign country or foreign entity.

2. That the Members of the Legislature find that the enactment into law by the United States Congress of sections 1021 and 1022 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2012 is inimical to the liberty, security and well-being of the people of Arizona and that those sections were adopted by Congress in violation of the limits of federal power in the United States Constitution.

3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this Resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

POM-105. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of Rockland County, New York, urging Algonquin Gas Transmission Corporation to prepare and submit to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) an additional means of access to the pipeline and facilities operating in and through Kakiat Park, and urging FERC to reject any application for expansion or modification of Algonquin's facilities absent a plan for emergency access; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3341. A bill to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 505. A resolution congratulating His Holiness Dorje Chang Buddha III and The Honorable Benjamin A. Gilman on being awarded the 2010 World Peace Prize; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 506. A resolution to authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 507. A resolution congratulating the Miami Heat for winning the National Basketball Association Championship; considered and agreed to

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. Res. 508. A resolution recognizing the teams and players of Negro League Baseball for their achievements, dedication, sacrifices, and contributions to baseball and the Nation; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. Res. 509. A resolution recognizing Major League Baseball as an important part of the cultural history of American society, celebrating the 2012 Major League Baseball All-Star Game, and honoring Kansas City, Missouri, as the host city of the 83rd All-Star Game; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 510. A resolution designating the month of June 2012 as "National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] were added as cosponsors of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 693

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 693, a bill to establish a term certain for the conservatorships of Fannie Mae and

Freddie Mac, to provide conditions for continued operation of such enterprises, and to provide for the wind down of such operations and dissolution of such enterprises.

S. 941

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 941, a bill to strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1747

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1747, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to modify provisions relating to the exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 1994

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1994, a bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections.

S. 2036

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 2036, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2036, supra.

S. 2099

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2099, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2241

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2241, a bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3179

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3179, a bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses with respect to mortgages, and for other purposes.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3206

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3206, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay a monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team and the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide assistance to United States Paralympics, Inc., and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3270

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3270, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes.

S. 3274

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3274, a bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in

attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

S. 3280

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3280, a bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

S. 3308

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3308, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes.

S. 3313

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3313, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes.

S. 3328

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3328, a bill to provide grants for juvenile mentoring.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 496

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 496, a resolution observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MANCHIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 26, 2012 at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Empowering and Protecting Servicemembers, Veterans and Their Families in the Consumer Financial Marketplace: A Status Update."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 26, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Prohibiting the Use of Deceptive Practices and Voter Intimidation Tactics in Federal Elections: S. 1994."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 26, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMENDING ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AND OTHERS FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO PREVENT AND ERADICATE POLIO

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 473) commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENTATION

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 506) to authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE MIAMI HEAT FOR WINNING THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 507) congratulating the Miami Heat for winning the National Basketball Association Championship, submitted today by Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. BILL NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE TEAMS AND PLAYERS OF NEGRO LEAGUE BASEBALL

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 508) recognizing the teams and players of Negro League Baseball for their achievements, dedication, sacrifices, and contributions to baseball and the Nation, submitted today by Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Mr. BILL NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE 2012 MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ALL-STAR GAME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 509) recognizing Major League Baseball as an important part of the cultural history of American society, celebrating the 2012 Major League Baseball All-Star Game, and honoring Kansas City, Missouri, as the host city of the 83rd All-Star Game, submitted today by Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CYTOMEGALOVIRUS AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 510) designating the month of June 2012 as "National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month", submitted today by Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that, following remarks by the two leaders, there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 6:28 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 27, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3342) to improve information security, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COATS, Mr. BURR, and Mr. RON JOHNSON), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mrs. HUTCHISON asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mrs. HUTCHISON objected.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6651. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0993)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6652. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1066)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6653. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Saab AB, Saab Aerosystems Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0184)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6654. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of

Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0042)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6655. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2019-1100)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6656. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Piper Aircraft, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0251)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6657. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1416)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6658. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0105)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6659. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1321)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6660. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1327)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6661. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0218)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6662. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Model 767-200, -300, -300F, and -400ER Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0044)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6663. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Burkhart GROB Luft- und Raumfahrt GmbH Powered Sailplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0324)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6664. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sicma Aero Seat Passenger Seat Assemblies, Installed on, but not Limited to, ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Regional Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0334)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6665. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1095)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6666. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1323)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6667. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0041)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6668. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0036)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6669. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1413)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6670. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; SOCATA Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0250)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6671. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Saab AB, Saab Aerosystems Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1410)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6672. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-

(Docket No. FAA-2012-0417)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6673. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Route Q-130; UT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0438)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6674. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Area R-2502E; Fort Irwin, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0461)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6675. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Restricted Area R-2917, De Funiak Springs, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0226)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6676. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules; Amdt. No. 500" (RIN2120-AA63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6677. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drivers of CMVs: Restricting the Use of Cellular Phones" (RIN2126-AB29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6678. A communication from the Associate Division Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 12 and 90 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Redundancy of Communications Systems: Backup Power Private Land Mobile Radio Services: Selection and Assignment of Frequencies, and Transition of the Upper 200 Channels in the 800 MHz Band to EA Licensing" (DA 11-1838), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6679. A communication from the Associate Division Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Review of the Emergency Alert System: Independent Spanish Broadcasters Association, the Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ, Inc., and the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council, Petition for Immediate Relief Randy Gehman Petition for Rulemaking" (FCC 12-41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6680. A joint communication from the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joints Chiefs of Staff, transmitting a request relative to limiting the size of Congressional delegations visiting Afghanistan for the period of July through September 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6681. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Updates to Wide Area Workflow" ((RIN0750-AH40)(DFARS Case 2011-D027)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6682. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; New Qualifying Country - Czech Republic" ((RIN0750-AH75)(DFARS Case 2012-DO43)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6683. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Shipping Instructions" ((RIN0750-AH53)(DFARS Case 2011-D052)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6684. A communication from the Secretary of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Customer Clearing Documentation, Timing of Acceptance for Clearing, and Clearing Member Risk Management; Core Principles and Other Requirements for Designated Contract Markets; Correction" (RIN3038-0092, -0094), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6685. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the declaration of a national emergency relative to the threat posed to the United States by the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation in the Russian Federation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6686. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6687. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to transnational criminal organizations that was declared in Executive Order 13581 of July 24, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6688. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13348 relative to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6689. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lending Limits" (RIN1557-AD59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6690. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing Standards for Compensation Committees" (RIN3235-AK95), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6691. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the competitiveness of the export financing services for the period from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011;

to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6692. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6693. A communication from the Chairman of the Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Appraisal Subcommittee's 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6694. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternatives to the Use of External Credit Ratings in the Regulations of the OCC" (RIN1557-AD36), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6695. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6696. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports relative to a vacancy in the Department in the position of Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6697. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6698. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6699. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Enforcement Policy Revision" (NRC-2011-0176), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6700. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a semiannual report relative to the status of the Commission's licensing and regulatory duties; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6701. A communication from the Director, National Legislative Commission, The American Legion, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the financial condition of The American Legion as of December 31, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2165. A bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-179).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COATS, Mr. BURR, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 3342. A bill to improve information security, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3343. A bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet the applicable ANSI/UL standard by treating that standard as a consumer product safety rule, to encourage States to require the installation of such detectors in homes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3344. A bill to increase immunization rates; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3345. A bill to provide for research and education to improve screening, detection and diagnosis of prostate cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. HELLER):

S. 3346. A bill to provide for certain land conveyances in the State of Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3347. A bill to require reports on countries with which the United States negotiates trade agreements, to establish terms for future trade agreements, and to enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 3348. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the multifamily transitional housing loan program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. REED:

S. 3349. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, and the United States Housing Act of 1937 to enhance and expand the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Housing and Urban Development to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3350. A bill to make improvements to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN:

S. 3351. A bill to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act with respect to the privacy of protected health information; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. Res. 511. A resolution commending the Pacific Lutheran University Lutes Softball Team for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Softball Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 512. A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Rice University; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. NELSON of

Florida, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. CASEY):

S. Con. Res. 50. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 693

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 693, a bill to establish a term certain for the conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, to provide conditions for continued operation of such enterprises, and to provide for the wind down of such operations and dissolution of such enterprises.

S. 1096

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1096, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to, and utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits under the Medicare part B program by extending the minimum payment amount for bone mass measurement under such program through 2013.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1809

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1809, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for viral hepatitis surveillance, education, and testing in order to prevent deaths from liver cancer, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 2050

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2050, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain provisions of the Creating Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 2065

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2065, a bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees.

S. 2085

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2085, a bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3049, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 3202

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3202, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE]

were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3274

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3274, a bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

S. 3320

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3320, a bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive the 30-day waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 27, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 27, 2012, at 2 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 27, 2012, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 27, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on June 27, 2012. The Committee will meet in room SD-124 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

The Subcommittee on National Parks be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 27, 2012, at 3 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2297) to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 4223. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4850. An act to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals.

H.R. 5625. An act to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 4223. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4850. An act to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 5625. An act to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

COMMENDING THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY LUTES SOFTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2012 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DIVISION III SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 511) commending the Pacific Lutheran University Lutes Softball Team for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Softball Championship, submitted today by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF RICE UNIVERSITY

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 512) recognizing the 100th anniversary of Rice University, submitted today by Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 5:20 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 28, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3342) to improve information security, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COATS, Mr. BURR, and Mr. RON JOHNSON), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, June 28, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3187. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6702. A communication from the Administrator, Housing and Community Facilities Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reserve Account" (RIN0575-AC66), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6703. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Certification of Compliance with Meal Requirements for the National School Lunch Program Under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010" (RIN0584-AE15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6704. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pistachios Grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico; Order Amending Marketing Order No. 983" (Docket No. AMS-FV-10-0099; FV11-983-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6705. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Domestic Dates Produced or Packed in Riverside County, CA; Order Amending Marketing Order 987" (Docket No. AMS-FV-10-0025; FV10-987-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6706. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 2011-12 Crop Year for

Tart Cherries" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0085; FV11-930-3 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6707. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to maintaining the EP-3E Airborne Reconnaissance Integrated Electronic System and the Special Projects Aircraft platforms in a manner that meets all current requirements of the Commanders of the Combatant Commands (CCMDs); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6708. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the current and future military strategy of Iran; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6709. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidelines for the Supervisory Review Committee" (12 CFR Chapter VII), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6710. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Expiration Dates for Several Body System Listings" (RIN0960-AH49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6711. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notification of the designation of Irving A. Williamson as Chair of the United States International Trade Commission; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6712. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to certifying that Belgium has satisfactorily complied with its obligations under Article 25 (Exchange of Information and Administrative Assistance); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6713. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Plan to Implement a Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility Value-Based Purchasing Program"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6714. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-002); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6715. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-043); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6716. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6717. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project - Burn Model Systems Centers" (CFDA No. 84.133A-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6718. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers" (CFDA No. 84.133E-1 and 84.133E-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6719. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-380, "District Department of Transportation Grant Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6720. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-384, "Youth Bullying Prevention Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6721. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6722. A communication from the Presiding Governor of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6723. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Autopsies at VA Expense" (RIN2900-AO03), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6724. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Veteran-Owned Small Business Verification Guidelines" (RIN2900-AO49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6725. A communication from the Associate General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, (2) two reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Agriculture received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6726. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Dracaena Plants From Costa Rica" ((RIN0579-AD54)(Docket No. APHIS-2011-0073)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6727. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyflufenamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9352-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6728. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9350-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on

June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6729. A communication from the Solicitor, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Section 939A of the Dodd-Frank Act regarding references to or requirements of reliance on credit ratings; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6730. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the remaining obstacles to the efficient and timely circulation of $1 coins; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6731. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6732. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9683-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6733. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Volatile Organic Compounds; Consumer Products" (FRL No. 9690-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6734. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Missouri and Illinois; St. Louis Nonattainment Area; Determination of Attainment by Applicable Attainment Date for the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standards;" (FRL No. 9692-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6735. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9692-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6736. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Georgia; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9692-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6737. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD) and Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD)" (FRL No. 9686-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6738. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule Revising the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9690-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6739. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Credit for Carbon Dioxide Sequestration 2012 Section 45Q Inflation Adjustment Factor" (Notice 2012-42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6740. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "PTP-COD Income" (Notice 2012-28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6741. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification to Consolidated Return Regulation Permitting an Election to Treat a Liquidation of a Target, Followed by a Recontribution to a New Target, as a Cross-Chain Reorganization" (RIN1545-BI31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6742. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Overall Foreign and Domestic Losses" (RIN1545-BH13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6743. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disregarded Entities and the Indoor Tanning Services Excise Tax" (RIN1545-BK39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6744. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Election to Include in Gross Income in Year of Transfer" (Rev. Proc. 2012-29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6745. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report to Congress on Audit Follow-up for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6746. A communication from the Counsel for Regulatory and External Affairs, Federal Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Representation Proceedings, Unfair Labor Practice Proceedings, and Miscellaneous and General Requirements" (5 CFR Parts 2422, 2423, and 2429), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6747. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of General Counsel and Legal Policy, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Executive Branch Qualified Trusts" (RIN3209-AA00), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6748. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Louisiana: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9692-7), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on June 27, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3352. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend certain energy-related tax provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3353. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3354. A bill to authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3355. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide taxpayer protection and assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3356. A bill to strengthen the role of the United States in the international community of nations in conserving natural resources to further global prosperity and security; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 3357. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, New Mexico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3358. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide social services agencies with the resources to provide services to meet the unique needs of the Holocaust survivors to age in place with dignity, comfort, security, and quality of life; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3359. A bill to end the practice of including more than one subject in a single bill by requiring that each bill enacted by Congress be limited to only one subject, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3360. A bill to preserve the constitutional authority of Congress and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3361. A bill to end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power which was exclusively vested in the Senate and House of Representatives by article I, section 1 of the Constitution of the United States, and to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to issue a report to Congress detailing the extent of the problem of unconstitutional delegation to the end that such delegations can be phased out, thereby restoring the constitutional principle of separation of power set forth in the first sections of the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DEMINT, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LEE, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. THUNE):

S.J. Res. 46. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. Res. 513. A resolution recognizing the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, which was fought between the United States of American and Great Britain beginning on June 18, 1812, in response to British violations of neutral rights of the United States, seizure of ships of the United States, restriction of trade between the United States and other countries, and the impressment of sailors of the United States into the Royal Navy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. Res. 514. A resolution commemorating the victory of Loyola University Maryland in the 2012 NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse National Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. Res. 515. A resolution honoring Catholic Sisters for their contributions to the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 466

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 466, a bill to provide for the restoration of legal rights for claimants under holocaust-era insurance policies.

S. 534

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 534, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 539

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 539, a bill to amend the Public Health Services Act and the Social Security Act to extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home.

S. 974

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 974, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to

expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and to promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector.

S. 1147

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1147, a bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and service to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, and for other purposes.

S. 1251

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1251, a bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, supra.

S. 1629

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1629, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2104

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2104, a bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act.

S. 2165

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 2884

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2884, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3245

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] were added as cosponsors of S. 3245, a bill to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3290, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 3308

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3308, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes.

S. 3320

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3320, a bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive the 30-day waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE RESOLUTION 150

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 150, a resolution calling for the protection of religious minority rights and freedoms in the Arab world.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. TOM UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The Need for Privacy Protections: Is Industry Self-Regulation Adequate?"

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 28, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 28, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103-39): Perspectives from Business and Industry."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 28, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 28, 2012, at 11 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 28, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

AFRICAN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Session on June 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to hold an African Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Economic Statecraft: Embracing Africa's Market Potential."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:33 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3187. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.

H.R. 33. An act to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act.

H.R. 2297. An act to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 10:20 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4018. An act to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

COMMEMORATING THE VICTORY OF LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND IN THE 2012 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S LACROSSE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 514) commemorating the victory of Loyola University Maryland in the 2012 NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse National Championship, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; and that Senators then be recognized to speak for 10 minutes each.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:33 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 29, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

PILOTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 1335) to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. INHOFE) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2489, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 4348

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That notwithstanding absence of the official papers on the conference report on bill H.R. 4348, at 12:55 p.m. on today, the Senate vote in "stacked" sequence in relation to points of order; that budget points of order, points of order relative to rule XXVIII, relating to scope of conference, and rule XXVIII, paragraph 9, relating to availability, be the only points of order in order to be raised in relation to the conference report; that time until 12:55 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leader, or their designees; that, if any of said points of order is raised against the conference report, and a motion to waive is made during time for debate, the Senate vote on the motions to waive in the order made, upon conclusion of time for debate; that, if motions to waive are agreed to, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the conference report; that the conference report receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate prior to each vote; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that, if the conference report is so agreed to, the amendment to the title be agreed to; and that no motion to recommit be in order to be raised.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 4348

Pursuant to the foregoing order, and notwithstanding the official papers not yet having been received from the House of Representatives,

The Senate proceed to consider the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4348) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the conference report.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. PAUL) raised a point of order, viz, that the conference report on bill H.R. 4348 has not been publicly available for 48 hours, violates rule XXVIII, paragraph 9, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. REID to waive provisions of rule XXVIII, paragraph 9, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, for consideration of the conference report.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Pursuant to the order of today,

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 72, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 169 Leg.]

YEAS --- 72

Akaka, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Ayotte, Burr, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Grassley, Hatch, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Snowe, Toomey.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mr. COATS raised a point of order, viz, that section 1538 of the conference report is a matter not committed by either House, violates rule XXVIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. REID to waive all scope of conference points of order under rule XXVIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

There being no further points of order under rule XXVIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate being raised,

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

On motion by Mr. COATS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Pursuant to the order of today,

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 66, nays... 28

[Rollcall Vote No. 170 Leg.]

YEAS --- 66

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 28

Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hutchison, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Snowe, Thune, Toomey.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mr. CORKER raised a point of order, viz, that the pending conference report violates section 311(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. REID, under section section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of the Act and

Law, and Budget resolutions, for consideration of the pending conference report.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of today,

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 63, nays... 30

[Rollcall Vote No. 171 Leg.]

YEAS --- 63

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 30

Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hutchison, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Thune, Toomey.

Ms. SNOWE, when her name was called, answered "present".

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The foregoing motions to waived having been agreed to,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question being on agreeing to the conference report.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the conference report.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 74, nays... 19

[Rollcall Vote No. 172 Leg.]

YEAS --- 74

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 19

Ayotte, Barrasso, Coats, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Johnson (WI), Lee, McCain, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Toomey.

Ms. SNOWE, when her name was called, answered "present".

So the conference report was agreed to (the conference report having been received from the House of Representatives prior to the start of the vote).

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to reconsider the vote agreeing to the conference report.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 51) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237:

HARRY REID, KENT CONRAD, T.R. HARKIN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, JEFF BINGAMAN, CARL LEVIN, AL FRANKEN, D.K. INOUYE, DICK DURBIN, BEN CARDIN, MAX BAUCUS, CHUCK SCHUMER, JEFFREY A. MERKLEY, PATTY MURRAY, JAY ROCKEFELLER, JOHN KERRY.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; that, at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of John Thomas Fowlkes, Jr., of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session' and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following messages from the President of the United States were transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S INTENT TO TERMINATE THE DESIGNATIONS OF GIBRALTAR AND THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS AS BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAM -- PM 53

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "1974 Act") (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(2)), I am providing notification of my intent to terminate the designations of Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands as beneficiary developing countries under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. Section 502(e) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(e)) provides that if the President determines that a beneficiary developing country has become a "high income" country, as defined by the official statistics of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (i.e., the World Bank), then the President shall terminate the designation of such country as a beneficiary developing country for purposes of GSP, effective on January 1 of the second year following the year in which such determination is made.

Pursuant to section 502(e) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate Gibraltar's designation as a beneficiary developing country under the GSP program, because it has become a high income country as defined by the World Bank. Accordingly, Gibraltar's eligibility for trade benefits under the GSP program will end on January 1, 2014.

In addition, pursuant to section 502(e) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate Turks and Caicos Islands' designation as a beneficiary developing country under the GSP program, because it has become a high income country, as defined by the World Bank. Accordingly, Turks and Caicos Islands' eligibility for trade benefits under the GSP program will end on January 1, 2014.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *June 29, 2012.*

NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S INTENT TO ADD THE REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL TO THE LIST OF LEAST-DEVELOPED BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAM—PM 54

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "1974 Act") (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(2)), I am providing notification of my intent to terminate the designations of Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands as beneficiary developing countries under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. Section 502(e) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(e)) provides that if the President determines that a beneficiary developing country has become a "high income" country, as defined by the official statistics of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (i.e., the World Bank), then the President shall terminate the designation of such country as a beneficiary developing country for purposes of GSP, effective on January 1 of the second year following the year in which such determination is made.

Pursuant to section 502(e) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate Gibraltar's designation as a beneficiary developing country under the GSP program, because it has become a high income country as defined by the World Bank. Accordingly, Gibraltar's eligibility for trade benefits under the GSP program will end on January 1, 2014.

In addition, pursuant to section 502(e) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate Turks and Caicos Islands' designation as a beneficiary developing country under the GSP program, because it has become a high income country as defined by the World Bank. Accordingly, Turks and Caicos Islands' eligibility for trade benefits under the GSP program will end on January 1, 2014.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *June 29, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6749. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada Limited Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0084)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6750. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0293)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6751. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (Operations) Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0188)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6752. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GMBH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0101)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6753. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1320)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6754. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0109)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6755. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0141)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6756. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of

Class E Airspace; Tallahassee, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0240)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6757. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Recreational Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-BB66), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6758. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 24" (RIN0648-BA52), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6759. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act Provisions; American Lobster Fishery" (RIN0648-BA56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6760. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 18A" (RIN0648-BB56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6761. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Modification of American Samoa Large Vessel Prohibited Area" (RIN0648-BB45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6762. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Framework Adjustment 47" (RIN0648-BB62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6763. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Final 2012 Spiny Dogfish Fishery Specifications" (RIN0648-XA973), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6764. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Accountability Measures for the Recreational Sector of Gray Triggerfish in the Gulf of Mexico for the 2012 Fishing Year" (RIN0648-XCO36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6765. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Northern Rockfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC052), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6766. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BC11), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6767. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XC006), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6768. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XC035), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6769. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod for American Fisheries Act Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC064), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6770. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Systems for Telephonic Notification of Unsafe Conditions at Highway-Rail and Pathway Grade Crossings" (RIN2130-AC12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6771. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flightcrew Member Duty and Rest Requirements; Correction" (RIN2120-AJ58), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6772. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of VOR Federal Airways V-135 and V-137; Southwest United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0654)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6773. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Multiple Compulsory Reporting Points; Continental United States, Alaska and Hawaii" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0130)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012;

to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6774. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification, Revocation and Establishment of Air Traffic Service Routes; Windsor Locks Area; CT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1386)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6775. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D and Class E Airspace and Revocation of Class E Airspace; Bellingham WA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0363)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6776. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Leesburg, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0445)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6777. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Orlando, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0503)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6778. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carriage of Digital Television Broadcast Signals: Amendment to Part 76 of the Commission's Rules" (FCC 12-59, CS Docket No. 98-120), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6779. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance; Driver-Vehicle Inspection Report for Intermodal Equipment" (RIN2126-AB34), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6780. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving Spectrum Efficiency through Flexible Channel Spacing and Bandwidth Utilization for Economic Area-based 800 MHz Specialized Mobile Radio Licensees, et. al." (WT Docket Nos. 12-64 and 11-110; FCC 12-55), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6781. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Support Amounts for Connect America Fund Phase One Incremental Support" (WT Docket Nos. 10-90, 05-337; DA 12-639), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6782. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support" (WT Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109; GN Docket No. 09-51; CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 95-45; WT Docket No. 10-208), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6783. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Suspend Acceptance and Processing of Certain Part 22 and 90 Applications for 470-512 MHz Spectrum" (DA 12-643), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6784. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support" (WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 05-337; DA-646), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2239. A bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3362. A bill to reauthorize the National Dam Safety Program Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. REED):

S. 3363. A bill to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. Res. 516. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the restitution of or compensation for property seized during the Nazi and Communist eras; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. KIRK):

S. Res. 517. A resolution congratulating the Northwestern Wildcats Women's Lacrosse Team on winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. Res. 518. A resolution congratulating the Southern Baptist Convention for electing Reverend Fred Luter, Jr., as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, acknowledging Reverend Luter's unique role as the first African-American leader of the Southern Baptist Convention, and honoring the commitment of the Southern Baptist Convention to an inclusive faith-based community and society; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 51. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 344

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 952

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 952, a bill to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children and for other purposes.

S. 974

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 974, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and to promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector.

S. 1245

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1245, a bill to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.

S. 1283

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1283, a bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to permit leave to care for a same-sex spouse, domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, grandchild, or grandparent who has a serious health condition.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2201, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, supra.

S. 2244

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2244, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist in the identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2369

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2369, a bill to establish the American Innovation Bank, to improve science and technology job training, to authorize grants for curriculum development, and for other purposes.

S. 3077

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3077, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

S. 3186

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3186, a bill to make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile device.

S. 3287

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3287, a bill to protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of the unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, June 29, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, June 29, 2012.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:22 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1447. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to establish an Aviation Security Advisory Committee, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3173. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for the enrollment, activation, issuance, and renewal of a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) to require, in total, not more than one in-person visit to a designated enrollment center.

H.R. 3276. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2810 East Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa, Florida, as the "Reverend Abe Brown Post Office Building".

H.R. 3412. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1421 Veterans Memorial Drive in Abbeville, Louisiana, as the "Sergeant Richard Franklin Abshire Post Office Building".

H.R. 3501. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the "SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office".

H.R. 3772. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 150 South Union Street in Canton, Mississippi, as the "First Sergeant Landres Cheeks Post Office Building".

H.R. 4005. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a study and report to Congress on gaps in port security in the United States and a plan to address them.

H.R. 4251. An act to authorize, enhance, and reform certain port security programs through increased efficiency and risk-based coordination within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5843. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to permit use of certain grant funds for training conducted in conjunction with a national laboratory or research facility.

H.R. 5889. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for protection of maritime navigation and prevention of nuclear terrorism, and for other purposes.

At 1:38 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4348) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.

At 2:40 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6064. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1238(B)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2014: Mr. Peter Brookes of Springfield, Virginia.

At 3:50 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5972. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1447. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to establish an Aviation Security Advisory Committee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3173. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for the enrollment, activation, issuance, and renewal of a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) to require, in total, not more than one in-person visit to a designated enrollment center; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3276. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2810 East Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa, Florida, as the "Reverend Abe Brown Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3412. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1421 Veterans Memorial Drive in Abbeville, Louisiana, as the "Sergeant Richard Franklin Abshire Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3501. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the "SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3772. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 150 South Union Street in Canton, Mississippi, as the "First Sergeant Landres Cheeks Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4005. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a study and report to Congress on gaps in port security in the United States and a plan to address them; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4251. An act to authorize, enhance, and reform certain port security programs through increased efficiency and risk-based coordination within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 5843. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to permit use of certain grant funds for training conducted in conjunction with a national laboratory or research facility; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5972. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

BILL SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

The bill (S. 3276) to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes, was sequentially referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, pursuant to paragraph 3(b) of S. Res. 400, 94th Congress, as amended by S. Res. 445 (108th Congress).

TEMPORARY SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EXTENSION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BINGAMAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6064) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

UNITED STATES-ISRAEL ENHANCED SECURITY COOPERATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2165) to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE DAVID F. WINDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMUNITY BASED OUTPATIENT CLINIC

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3238) to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community based outpatient clinic in Mansfield, Ohio, as the David F. Winder Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 225TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 376) commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF NATIONAL INFANTRY MUSEUM AND SOLDIER CENTER COMMEMORATIVE COIN SURCHARGES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3363) to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. REED), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

VETERAN SKILLS TO JOBS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2239) to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4018) to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader and Mr. CARDIN be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from tomorrow through Monday, July 9, 2012.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2012, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 9, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on Tuesday, July 2, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 12 noon on Friday, July 6, 2012, for a pro forma session; and that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2012.

Ordered further, That on Monday, July 9, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized to speak; and that Senators be permitted to speak for 10 minutes each.

Ordered further, That, if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that the House has agreed to the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 51) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, the Senate adjourn as pursuant to the provisions of said concurrent resolution until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate subsequently (on today) having received a message from the House of Representatives announcing it had agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 51,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 4:04 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2012.

MONDAY, JULY 9, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 9, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for

increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4018) to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, June 28, 2012, and read the first time on Friday, June 29, 2012; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on June 29, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House had agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 51. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on June 29, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 6064. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on June 29, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 2, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4348. An act to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on July 2, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. CARDIN).

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3364. A bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 1483

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1483, a bill to ensure that persons who form corporations in the United States disclose the beneficial owners of those corporations, in order to prevent wrongdoers from exploiting United States corporations in ways that threaten homeland security, to assist law enforcement in detecting, preventing, and punishing terrorism, money laundering, and other misconduct involving United States corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1747

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1747, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to modify provisions relating to the exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers.

S. 1806

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1806, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3309

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3309, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to

improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3317

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3317, a bill to restore the effective use of group actions for claims arising under title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, section 1977 of the Revised Statutes, and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and for other purposes.

S. 3355

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3355, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide taxpayer protection and assistance, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 516

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 516, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the restitution of or compensation for property seized during the Nazi and Communist eras.

D.C. COURTS AND PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1379) to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

The reported amendment was agreed to.

The question being on the passage to the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was deemed read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3364) to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America, introduced today by Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, that the minority control the second half therein; and that, at 11:30 a.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of John Thomas Fowlkes, Jr., of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, as pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 4:23 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 10, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3364) to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America, introduced on yesterday by Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 11:30 a.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:44 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on that day, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, June 29, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 80, nays... 14

[Rollcall Vote No. 174 Leg.]

YEAS --- 80

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Carper, Casey, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 14

Ayotte, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Manchin, McCain, Risch, Sessions, Shelby, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 1791. A bill to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse".

S. 3304. A bill to redesignate the Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters located at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. in Washington, D.C., as the "William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building", to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the "George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building", and to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington D.C., as the "Eliot Ness ATF Building", and for other purposes.

S. 3311. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse".

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 3365. A bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to State courts to develop and implement State court interpreter programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BURR, Mr. WARNER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 3366. A bill to designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3367. A bill to deter the disclosure to the public of evidence or information on United States covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. 3368. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act to prohibit the provision of funds made available to carry out that Act in any State that allows income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3369. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 119

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 119, a bill to preserve open competition and Federal Government neutrality towards the labor relations of Federal Government contractors on Federal and federally funded construction projects.

S. 344

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 344, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 534

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 534, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 818

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 818, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1173, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program.

S. 1221

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1221, a bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1397

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1397, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind.

S. 1578

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1578, a bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act with respect to consumer confidence reports by community water systems.

S. 1728

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. JOHANNS], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1728, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1838

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1838, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on service dog training therapy, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2237

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2237, a bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3267

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3267, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit, and for other purposes.

S. 3280

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3280, a bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

S. 3302

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3302, a bill to establish an air travelers' bill of rights, to implement those rights, and for other purposes.

S. 3308

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3308, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes.

S. 3318

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3318, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3326

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3326, a bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 429

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 429, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

SENATE RESOLUTION 513

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 513, a resolution recognizing the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, which was fought between the United States of American and Great Britain beginning on June 18, 1812, in response to British violations of neutral rights of the United States, seizure of ships of the United States, restriction of trade between the United States and other countries, and the impressment of sailors of the United States into the Royal Navy.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 10, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 10, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Developing the Framework for Safe and Efficient Mobile Payments, Part 2."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 10, 2012, at 2:45 p.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Boosting Opportunities and Growth Through Tax Reform: Helping More Young People Achieve The American Dream."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 10, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:44 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 2061. An act to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

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

H.R. 4114. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4155. An act to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat

relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

H.R. 4367. An act to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit the fee disclosure requirement for an automatic teller machine to the screen of that machine.

H.R. 5892. An act to improve hydropower, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 4114. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 5889. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for protection of maritime navigation and prevention of nuclear terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5892. An act to improve hydropower, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF WORLD MALARIA DAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 429) supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. SHERROD BROWN (for Mr. WICKER) to amend the pending resolution on page 4, line 14, by striking "strongly supports" and inserting "welcomes" (being amendment No. 2507)

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3369) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. SHERROD BROWN), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that the time during morning business, recess, or adjournment be counted against the time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:34 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 11, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID on Friday, June 29, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3369) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms.

LANDRIEU, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. MARK UDALL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KOONS, Mr. KOHL, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. REED, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 2237

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that at 2 p.m. on today, the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237 be agreed to; that the first 2 amendments to be in order to the bill be an amendment (Numbered 2491, in the nature of a substitute), intended to be proposed by Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), relative to the extension of current tax rates, and an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. REID, or his designee, relative to the President's proposal.

After debate,

Mr. REID objected.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That time for debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 2237, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; and that the Senate proceed to consider the bill.

SMALL BUSINESS JOBS AND TAX RELIEF ACT

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Ms. LANDRIEU) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert, in lieu thereof, other words (being amendment No. 2521, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2522).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "7 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "6 days" (being amendment No. 2523).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute); which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 2237:

HARRY REID, MARY LANDRIEU, KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND, B.A. MIKULSKI, CARL LEVIN, FRANK LAUTENBERG, BARBARA BOXER, MARK UDALL, MARK BEGICH, S. WHITEHOUSE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, AL FRANKEN, PAT LEAHY, TOM UDALL, MAX BAUCUS, BEN CARDIN, DICK DURBIN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute) by striking all after the first word and inserting, in lieu thereof, other words (being amendment No. 2524).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2525).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2526).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions contained in the pending motion to commit by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2527).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2528).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 2237:

HARRY REID, MAX BAUCUS, MARY LANDRIEU, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, B.A. MIKULSKI, CARL LEVIN, FRANK LAUTENBERG, BARBARA BOXER, MARK UDALL, MARK BEGICH, S. WHITEHOUSE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, AL FRANKEN, PAT LEAHY, TOM UDALL, BEN CARDIN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2528 to amendment No. 2527 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2526) contained in the motion to commit.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3364) to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2237

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that motions to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute) and on the bill be withdrawn; that the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2526) be withdrawn; that amendments Numbered 2525 and 2522 be withdrawn; and that, at 2 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate vote in relation first to amendment No. 2524, and then in relation to amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute).

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that motions to waive and motions to table be in order; that there be no other amendment or motion in order to the amendments or bill; that, upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third

time; and that the Senate vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider a bill, intended to be introduced by Mr. REID, or his designee, relative to extending the 2001, 2003, and 2009 tax cuts for 98% of Americans and 96% of all small businesses as outlined by the President; that the only amendment in order to be proposed thereto be an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL, or his designee, identical to the language of amendment No. 2491, submitted by Mr. HATCH; that the amendment not be divisible; that there be 4 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendment; that, upon disposition of the amendment, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; and that no motion or point of order be in order to the amendment or the bill.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

ISSUANCE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER MODIFYING THE SCOPE OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO BURMA -- PM 55

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") that modifies the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, as modified in scope in Executive Order 13448 of October 18, 2007, and relied upon for additional steps taken in Executive Order 13310 of July 28, 2003, Executive Order 13448 of October 18, 2007, and Executive Order 13464 of April 30, 2008, and takes additional steps with respect to that national emergency.

In Executive Order 13047, the President found that the Government of Burma committed large-scale repression of the democratic opposition in Burma after September 30, 1996, and further determined that the actions and policies of the Government of Burma constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. To address that threat and to implement section 570 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law 104-208), the President in Executive Order 13047 prohibited new investment in Burma. On July 28, 2003, the President issued Executive Order 13310, which contained prohibitions implementing certain provisions of the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-61) and blocked the property and interests in property of persons listed in the Annex to Executive Order 13310 or determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to meet designation criteria specified in Executive Order 13310. In Executive Order 13448, the President expanded the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047, incorporated existing designation criteria set forth in Executive Order 13310, blocked the property and interests in property of persons listed in the Annex to Executive Order 13448, and provided additional criteria for designations of other persons. In Executive Order 13464, the President blocked the property and interests in property of persons listed in the Annex to Executive Order 13464 and provided additional criteria for designations of other persons.

While the Government of Burma has made progress towards political reform in a number of areas, including by releasing hundreds of political prisoners, pursuing ceasefire talks with several armed ethnic groups, and pursuing a substantive dialogue with the democratic opposition, this reform is fragile. I support this reform in Burma and the building of a democratic political process that will allow all of the people of Burma to be represented. However, I have found that the continued detention of political prisoners, efforts to undermine or obstruct the political reform process, efforts to undermine or obstruct the peace process with ethnic minorities, military trade with North Korea, and human rights abuses in Burma particularly in ethnic areas, effectuated by persons within and outside the Government of Burma, constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. To address this situation, the order imposes additional measures with respect to Burma.

The order provides criteria for designations of persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with or at the recommendation of the Secretary of State:

To have engaged in acts that directly or indirectly threaten the peace, security, or stability of Burma, such as actions that have the purpose or effect of undermining or obstructing the political reform process or the peace process with ethnic minorities in Burma;

To be responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, or to have participated in, the commission of human rights abuses in Burma;

To have, directly or indirectly, imported, exported, reexported, sold or supplied arms or related materiel from North Korea or the Government of North Korea to Burma or the Government of Burma;

To be a senior official of an entity that has engaged in the acts described above;

To have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of, the acts described above or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order; or

To be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order.

I have delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury the authority, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order.

All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 11, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6785. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program" (RIN0575-AC90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6786. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Ann E. Dunwoody, United States Army, and her advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6787. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Order of Application for Modifications" ((RIN0750-AH56)-(DFARS Case 2012-D002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 2, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6788. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9683-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6789. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9695-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6790. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9695-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6791. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Synchronizing the Expiration Dates of the Pesticide Applicator Certificate with the Underlying State or Tribal Certificate" (FRL No. 9334-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6792. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effective Date for the Water Quality Standards for the State of Florida's Lakes and Flowing Waters" (FRL No. 9691-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6793. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supervised Securities Holding Company Registration" (RIN7100-AD81 and FRB Docket No. R-1430), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6794. A communication from the Acting Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Calculation of Maximum Obligation Limitation" (RIN3064-AD84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6795. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Existing Validated End-User Authorizations: Hynix Semiconductor China Ltd., Hynix Semiconductor (Wuxi) Ltd., and Boeing Tianjin Composites Co. Ltd. in the People's Republic of China" (RIN0694-AF71), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6796. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Process for Submissions for Review of Security-Based Swaps for Mandatory Clearing and Notice Filing Requirements for Clearing Agencies; Technical Amendments to Rule 19b-4 and Form 19b-4 Applicable to All Self-Regulatory Organizations" (RIN3235-AK87), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6797. A communication from the Under Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13441 with respect to Lebanon; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6798. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Management Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6799. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, transmitting, pursuant to law, Bank's 2011 Management Report and statement on system of internal controls; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6800. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Statement on System of Internal Controls, audited financial statements, and Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6801. A communication from the Accounting Manager, Accounting Policy and External Reporting, Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 management report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6802. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's management reports and statements on system of internal controls for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6803. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Understandings Reached at the 2011 Australia Group (AG) Plenary Meeting and Other AG-Related Clarifications to the EAR" (RIN0694-AF45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6804. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining,

Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wyoming Regulatory Program" (Docket No. WY-042-FOR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 6, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6805. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vehicles and Traffic Safety - Bicycles" (RIN1024-AD97), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6806. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Integration of Variable Energy Resources" (RIN1902-AE16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 5, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6807. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Voluntary Commitments to Reduce Industrial Energy Intensity"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6808. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, the report of proposed legislation entitled "National Park Service Study Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6809. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program 2012-2017"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6810. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indiana Regulatory Program" (Docket No. IN-160-FOR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 6, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6811. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds" (Notice 2012-44), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6812. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 162(m)(4)-(C) - Dividends and Dividend Equivalents on Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units" (Rev. Rul. 2012-19), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6813. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 3121 - Tips Included for Both Employee and Employer Taxes" (Rev. Proc. 2012-18), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6814. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - July 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6815. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Guidance on Rev. Rul. 2012-18, Sec. 3121 - Tips Included for Both Employee and Employer Taxes" (Announcement 2012-25), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6816. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Portability of a Deceased Spousal Unused Exclusion Amount" ((RIN1545-BK34)(TD 9593)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6817. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - February 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6818. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Income from Certain Government Bonds for Purposes of the PFIC Rules" (Rev. Rul. 2012-45), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6819. A communication from the Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Part D Plans Generally Include Drugs Commonly Used by Dual Eligibles: 2012 (OEI-05-12-00060)"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6820. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Welfare Outcomes 2007-2010: Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6821. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-020); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6822. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to amendment to part 126 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6823. A communication from the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Foreign Policy Report on the removal of United Nations arms embargo provisions against Rwanda; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6824. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0069 - 2012-0084); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico:

S. 3370. A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3371. A bill to establish, within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3372. A bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 3373. A bill to require the Attorney General to issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 3374. A bill to amend the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978 to establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3375. A bill to designate the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area in the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3376. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prevent the abuse of dextromethorphan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BURR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. RISCH, and Ms. SNOWE):

S.J. Res. 47. A joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate July 26 as United States Intelligence Professionals Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 960

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 960, a bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2173, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 2239

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2239, a bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2472

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2472, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] and the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3291

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3291, a bill to prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills, and for other purposes.

S. 3333

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3333, a bill to require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice to such individuals in the case of a breach of security involving such information, and for other purposes.

S. 3364

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3364, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3369

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED], the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator

from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 3369, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. THUNE, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 487

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 487, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the ambush marketing adversely affects Team USA and the Olympic and Paralympic Movements and should not be condoned.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BEGICH,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a roundtable to discuss "Medicare Physician Payments: Perspectives from Physicians."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing titled "The Future of Homeland Security: Evolving and Emerging Threats."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Impact on Competition of Exclusion Orders to Enforce Standard-Essential Patents."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on judicial nominations.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 4:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 2061. An act to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

RAOUL WALLENBERG CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ACT

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3001) to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

VETERAN SKILLS TO JOBS ACT

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4155) to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

At 7:03 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:32 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3369) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2237

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 2237; that the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees; that, at 2 p.m., the Senate vote in relation to pending amendment No. 2524; and that, upon disposition of said amendment, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute).

Ordered further, That, if said motion is not agreed to, the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute) is agreed to, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; that said amendment (in the nature of a substitute) then be agreed to; that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill; that, if said motion is agreed to, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; that the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; and that, upon disposition of the bill, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

Ordered further, That motions to table and motions to waive be in order; that no other amendment or motion be in order to the amendments or bill prior to the aforementioned votes; that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the votes; and that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill is not agreed to, the bill be returned to the calendar; and that the Senate then resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

SMALL BUSINESS JOBS AND TAX RELIEF ACT

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 2237) to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2528, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2527 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2526) contained in the motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2526).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That time in quorum calls be counted equally.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2528 to amendment No. 2527 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2526) contained in the motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Finance.

The hour of 2 p.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 2524, proposed by Mr. REID, to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS to lay the pending amendment on the table.

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 73, nays... 24

[Rollcall Vote No. 175 Leg.]

YEAS --- 73

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 24

Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cochran, Collins, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Roberts, Shelby, Snowe, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on yesterday, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2521 (in the nature of a substitute).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 57, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 176 Leg.]

YEAS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on yesterday, to bring to a close debate on the pending bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 53, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 177 Leg.]

YEAS --- 53

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2528 to amendment No. 2527 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2526) contained in the motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2526).

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill was returned to the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no further intervening action or debate; that, following the vote, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order relative to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369:

HARRY REID, S. WHITEHOUSE, JACK REED, JOE LIEBERMAN, JON TESTER, MARK PRYOR, BEN CARDIN, CHRIS COONS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, DANIEL K. AKAKA, HERB KOHL, CHUCK SCHUMER, MARK BEGICH, TIM JOHNSON, ROBERT MENENDEZ, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, MARK UDALL, SHERROD BROWN.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That on Monday, July 16, 2012, when the Senate resumes its legislative session following the vote in executive session, there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, July 12, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2061. A bill to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6825. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Azoxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9352-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6826. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dicloran and Formetanate; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 9353-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6827. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Methoxyfenozide; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9354-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6828. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "Sulfentrazone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9353-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6829. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pasteuria spp. (Rotylenchulus reniformis nematode) - Pr3; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9353-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6830. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2286e, a report entitled "Department of Energy Activities Relating to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committees on Appropriations; and Armed Services.

EC-6831. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting a legislative proposal and accompanying report relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6832. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule Step 3 and GHG Plantwide Applicability Limits" (FRL No. 9690-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6833. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Chemical Reporting: Revisions to the Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Forms (Tier I and Tier II)" (FRL No. 9674-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6834. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Reasonably Available Control Technology for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9697-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6835. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Nonattainment New Source Review; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9698-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6836. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delegation of National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories; Gila River Indian Community" (FRL No. 9698-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6837. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Authorization of State-initiated Changes and Incorporation by Reference of Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9694-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6838. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the activities of the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA), Department of Commerce, for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6839. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6840. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effective Date of Requirement for Premarket Approval for a Pacemaker Programmer" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0526), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 2, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6841. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effective Date of Requirement for Premarket Approval for an Implantable Pacemaker Pulse Generator" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0522), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 2, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6842. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Twenty-Fifth Actuarial Valuation of the Assets and Liabilities Under the Railroad Retirement Acts as of December 31, 2010"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6843. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Feed Materials Production Center (FMPC) in Fernald, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6844. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Aging Services Technology Study"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6845. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report for 2011 on Disability-Related Air Travel Complaints"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6846. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of Defense (DoD) plan for complying with the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act (IPERA) of 2010; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6847. A communication from the Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "The Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP) Bylaws, Rules, and Appeal Procedures" (RIN3095-AB76), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6848. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-385, "Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Support Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6849. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Garden not being able to file its audit report within six months of the close of its fiscal year ending December 31, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6850. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to applications for delayed-notice search warrants and extensions during fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6851. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Annual Report of the National Institute of Justice"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6852. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Statutory Amendments Requiring the Qualification of Manufacturers and Importers of Processed Tobacco and Other Amendments Related to Permit Requirements, and the Expanded Definition of Roll-Your-Own Tobacco" (RIN1513-AB72), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 5, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6853. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Wiretap Report"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6854. A communication from the Under Secretary and Director, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Miscellaneous Post Patent Provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act" (RIN0651-AC66), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6855. A communication from the Under Secretary and Director, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement the Preissuance Submissions by Third Parties Provision of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act" (RIN0651-AC67), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6856. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Payable to a Surviving Spouse with One or More Children Under Age 18" (RIN2900-AO38), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6857. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Benefits for Survivors of Former Prisoners of War Rated Totally Disabled at Time of Death" (RIN2900-AO22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2218. A bill to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-180).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1409. A bill to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending (Rept. No. 112-181).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 2554, A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017 (Rept. No. 112-182).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 3902. A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1744. A bill to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3377. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 3378. A bill to establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 3379. A bill to standardize the definition of the term "small business refiner" for purposes of laws administered by the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3380. A bill to provide for the issuance of a Victory for Veterans stamp, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3381. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. KYL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. LEE, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. COBURN):

S. 3382. A bill to impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3383. A bill to reject the final 5-year Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program for fiscal years 2012 through 2017 of the Administration and replace the plan with a 5-year plan that is more in line with the energy and economic needs of the United

States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. 3384. A bill to extend supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 971

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 971, a bill to promote neutrality, simplicity, and fairness in the taxation of digital goods and digital services.

S. 1385

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1385, a bill to terminate the $1 presidential coin program.

S. 1744

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1744, a bill to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3252

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3252, a bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy.

S. 3286

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3286, a bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes.

S. 3319

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3319, a bill to amend the National Trails System Act to revise the route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota to include existing hiking trails along the north shore of Lake Superior, in the Superior National Forest, and in the Chippewa National Forest, and for other purposes.

S. 3323

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3323, a bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to improve the protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures, and for other purposes.

S. 3326

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3326, a bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

S. 3372

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3372, a bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, supra.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled, "Medication and Performance Enhancing Drugs in Horse Racing."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 10:15 a.m., in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled, "The Latest Science on Lead's Impacts on Children's Development and Public Health."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 9 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Treaty Doc. 112-7)."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing entitled, "Beyond Seclusion and Restraint: Creating Positive Learning Environments for All Students" on July 12, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "The Future of Homeland Security: The Evolution of the Homeland Security Department's Roles and Missions."

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Federal Recognition: Political and Legal Relationship between Governments."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 12, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:59 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6079. An act to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore reported that he had signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House:

S. 2061. An act to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SPECIAL ELECTION REFORM ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 3902) to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

NATIONAL BASEBALL HALL OF FAME COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2527) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. DURBIN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert, in lieu thereof, other words (being amendment No. 2553, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6079) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 16, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader

then be recognized; and that, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:48 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012.

MONDAY, JULY 16, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3369) a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements of corporations, labor organizations, super PACs, and other entities, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6079) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, July 12, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on that day, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 179 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

COMMENDING THE NAACP ON ITS 103RD ANNIVERSARY

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 520) commending the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 103rd anniversary, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL SPINAL CORD INJURY AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 521) designating September 2012 as "National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month", submitted today by Mr. RUBIO, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CHILD AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 522) designating September 2012 as "National Child Awareness Month" to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States, submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CASEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. SANDERS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING HEROIC EFFORTS TO CONTAIN WILDFIRES

On the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 523) recognizing the heroic efforts of firefighters and military personnel in the United States to contain numerous wildfires that have affected tens of thousands of people, submitted today by Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BENNET, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. REID, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. SESSIONS, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. JOHANNS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 13, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3902. An act to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6858. A communication from the Chief of the Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Commission's Rules to Provide Spectrum for the Operation of Medical Body Area Network" (FCC 12-54, ET Docket No. 08-59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6859. A communication from the Deputy Office Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary Regulations" (RIN0648-AY35), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6860. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Volvo Ocean Racing Youth Regatta, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0178)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6861. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0494)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6862. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1259)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6863. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Specifications and Management Measures; Correction" (RIN0648-BB28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6864. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Western Aleutian District of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC061), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6865. A communication from the Acting Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Claims for Patent and Copyright Infringement" (RIN2700-AD63), received in

the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1266. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to build on and help coordinate funding for the restoration and protection efforts of the 4-State Delaware River Basin region, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-183).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2018. A bill to amend and reauthorize certain provisions relating to Long Island Sound restoration and stewardship (Rept. No. 112-184).

S. 3264. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (Rept. No. 112-185).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany H.R. 3902, A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia (Rept. No. 112-186).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3385. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3386. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. CASEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3387. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to require the United States Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms purchased or otherwise obtained by the Committee to be produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3388. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. REID, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. Res. 519. A resolution designating October 30, 2012, as a national day of remembrance for nuclear weapons program workers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. Res. 520. A resolution commending the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 103rd anniversary; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. Res. 521. A resolution designating September 2012 as "National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CASEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. Res. 522. A resolution designating September 2012 as "National Child Awareness Month" to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BENNET, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. REID, Mr. HELLER, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. SESSIONS, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. Res. 523. A resolution recognizing the heroic efforts of firefighters and military personnel in the United States to contain numerous wildfires that have affected tens of thousands of people; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 19, a bill to restore American's individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 703

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 703, a bill to amend the Long-Term Leasing Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1133

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1133, a bill to prevent the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes.

S. 1440

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of

S. 1440, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 1621

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1621, a bill to create livable communities through coordinated public investment and streamlined requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2125

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2125, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, to apply accreditation and licensure requirements to suppliers of such devices and items for purposes of payment under the Medicare program, and to modify the payment rules for such devices and items under such program to account for practitioner qualifications and complexity of care.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2372

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2372, a bill to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2884

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2884, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3263

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3263, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3290, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 3364

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 3364, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3366

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3366, a bill to designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization.

S. 3369

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3369, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 3372

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3372, a bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code.

S. 3376

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3376, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prevent the abuse of dextromethorphan, and for other purposes.

S. 3380

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3380, a bill to provide for the issuance of a Victory for Veterans stamp, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 47

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 47, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate July 26 as United States Intelligence Professionals Day.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BINGAMAN,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 16, 2012, at 4:45 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4402. An act to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The following enrolled bill, previously signed by the SPEAKER, was signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. COONS) on today:

H.R. 3902. An act to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 4402. An act to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3369

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, at 3 p.m. on tomorrow, the motion to proceed to consider the motion to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369 be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to; and that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on said motion to proceed, upon reconsideration.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TODAY, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on today; that, on today, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, on today, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That, on today, time from 2:15 p.m. until 3 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 12:26 a.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on today.

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of today,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3369) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

HELPING EXPEDITE AND ADVANCE RESPONSIBLE TRIBAL HOME OWNERSHIP ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 205) to amend the Act titled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases", approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

At 12:29 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3369

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

The hour of 3 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The motion to proceed to consider the motion to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369 was agreed to, and the motion to reconsider was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, July 12, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3369.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 12, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---yeas... 53, nays... 45

[Rollcall Vote No. 180 Leg.]

YEAS --- 53

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So, upon reconsideration, the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the pending motion be withdrawn.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3364) to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364:

HARRY REID, DEBBIE STABENOW, S. WHITEHOUSE, AL FRANKEN, DICK DURBIN, SHERROD BROWN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, JEFFREY A. MERKLEY, CHRIS COONS, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., BEN CARDIN, JEANNE SHAHEEN, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, CHUCK SCHUMER, JACK REED, B.A. MIKULSKI, JAY ROCKEFELLER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO THE FORMER LIBERIAN REGIME OF CHARLES TAYLOR -- PM 56

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication stating that the national emergency and related measures dealing with the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor are to continue in effect beyond July 22, 2012.

Although Liberia has made advances to promote democracy, and the Special Court for Sierra Leone recently convicted Charles Taylor for war crimes and crimes against humanity, the actions and policies of former Liberian President Charles Taylor and other persons, in particular their unlawful depletion of Liberian resources and their removal from Liberia and secreting of Liberian funds and property, could still challenge Liberia's efforts to strengthen its democracy and the orderly development of its political, administrative, and economic institutions and resources. These actions and policies continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 17, 2012.*

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1201. A bill to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-187).

S. 1324. A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the importation, exportation, transportation, and sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-188).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. COONS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3389. A bill to modify chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3390. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Miami-Dade County certain Federal land in the State of Florida for the purpose of building a fire station; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 3391. A bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 3392. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to require the disclosure of the total number of the domestic and foreign employers of issuers; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3393. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families; read the first time.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. JOHANNS, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. TESTER, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 3394. A bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 3395. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 1372

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1372, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding environmental education, and for other purposes.

S. 1863

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1863, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage alternative energy investments and job creation.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2173, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] were added as cosponsors of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3085

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3085, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of

S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3318

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3318, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3319

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3319, a bill to amend the National Trails System Act to revise the route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota to include existing hiking trails along the north shore of Lake Superior, in the Superior National Forest, and in the Chippewa National Forest, and for other purposes.

S. 3365

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3365, a bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to State courts to develop and implement State court interpreter programs.

S. 3369

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3369, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 3372

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3372, a bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 47

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 47, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate July 26 as United States Intelligence Professionals Day.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to hold a hearing entitled, "Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: 2 Years Later," during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "The Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "The Next Ten Years in the Fight Against Human Trafficking: Attacking the Problem with the Right Tools."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 17, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "U.S. Vulnerabilities to Money Laundering, Drugs, and Terrorist Financing: HSBC Case History."

COMMENDING EFFORTS TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY ON THE NEED FOR YELLOW CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING BONDING

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 483) commending efforts to promote and enhance public safety on the need for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing bonding.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3393) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families, introduced today by Mr. REID, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 5:57 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, July 18, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3364) to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3393) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families, introduced on yesterday by Mr. REID, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SIGNIFICANT TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS -- PM 57

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within the 90-day period prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13581 of July 24, 2011, is to continue in effect beyond July 24, 2012.

The activities of significant transnational criminal organizations have reached such scope and gravity that they threaten the stability of international political and economic systems. Such organizations are becoming increasingly sophisticated and dangerous to the United States; they are increasingly entrenched in the operations of foreign governments and the international financial system, thereby weakening democratic institutions, degrading the rule of law, and undermining economic markets. These organizations facilitate and aggravate violent civil conflicts and increasingly facilitate the activities of other dangerous persons.

The activities of significant transnational criminal organizations continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13581 with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 18, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6866. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Increasing the Primary Reserve Capacity and Revising Exemption Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0092; FV12-930-1 FR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6867. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Avocados Grown in South Florida; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0094; FV12-915-1 IR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6868. A communication from the Management Analyst, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Areas; Roadless Area Conservation; Applicability to the National Forests in Colorado" (RIN0596-AC74), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6869. A communication from the Principal Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6870. A communication from the Surgeon General and Commanding General, US Army Medical Command, Department of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to incentives for recruitment and retention of Army healthcare professionals; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6871. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle (EELV) program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6872. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Brokers or Dealers Engaged in a Retail Forex Business" (RIN3235-AL19), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6873. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6874. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-088); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6875. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-074); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6876. A communication from the Chief Human Capital Officer, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Member, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6877. A communication from the Director, Office of the Whistleblower Protection Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for the Handling of Retaliation Complaints Under Section 219 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008" (RIN1218-AC47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6878. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updating OSHA Standards Based on National Consensus Standards; Head Protection" (RIN1218-AC65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 11, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6879. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals through the 2nd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6880. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress on Shortfall for Contract Support Costs of Self-Determination Contracts Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6881. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-075, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

H.R. 4240. A bill to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3326. A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3396. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ENZI, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BURR, Mr. KYL, and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3397. A bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (by request):

S. 3398. A bill to provide for several critical National Park Service authorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (by request):

S. 3399. A bill to authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 3400. A bill to designate certain Federal land in the San Juan National Forest in the State of Colorado as wilderness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3401. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform; read the first time.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3402. A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to maintain a publicly available list of all employers that relocate a call center overseas, to make such companies ineligible for Federal grants or guaranteed loans, and to require disclosure of the physical location of business agents engaging in customer service communications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1673

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1673, a bill to establish the Office of Agriculture Inspection within the Department of Homeland Security, which shall be headed by the Assistant Commissioner for Agriculture Inspection, and for other purposes.

S. 1728

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the names of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1728, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1947

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1947, a bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

S. 2074

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2074, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2325

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2325, a bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3252

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3252, a bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3364

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3364, a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3395

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3395, a bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 41, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world.

SENATE RESOLUTION 428

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 428, a resolution condemning the Government of Syria for crimes against humanity, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Show Me the Money: Improving the Transparency of Federal Spending."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 18, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Improving Forensic Science in the Criminal Justice System."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on July 18, 2012. The Committee will meet in room 418 of the Senate Russell Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining Medicare and Medicaid Coordination for Dual-Eligibles."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AVIATION OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

The Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012, at 3 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled, "The Global Competitiveness of the U.S. Aviation Industry: Addressing Competition Issues to Main U.S. Leadership in the Aerospace Market."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Census: Planning Ahead for 2020."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRIVACY, TECHNOLOGY, AND THE LAW

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "What Facial Recognition Technology Means for Privacy and Civil Liberties."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:56 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6018. An act to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 2009. An act to improve the administration of programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes.

S. 2165. An act to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment (in the nature of a substitute), in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1959. An act to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 6018. An act to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

HONORING AMERICA'S VETERANS AND CARING FOR CAMP LEJEUNE FAMILIES ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1627) to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements for the placement of monuments in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mrs. MURRAY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2559, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

The PAYGO statement of the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget was read.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Resolved, That it pass.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. REID (for Mrs. MURRAY), so as to read: "A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care and medical services to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, to improve the provision of housing assistance to veterans and their families, and for other purposes".

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3401) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform, introduced today by Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, at 2:15 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:14 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend Elizabeth Evans Hagan, Senior Pastor, Washington Plaza Baptist Church, Reston, Virginia, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3364) a bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3401) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform, introduced on yesterday by Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3364

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

The hour of 2:15 p.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, July 17, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3364.

Pursuant to the order of Tuesday, July 17, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 56, nays... 42

[Rollcall Vote No. 181 Leg.]

YEAS --- 56

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow,

Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, July 19, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 2009. A bill to improve the administration of programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes.

S. 2165. A bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6882. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the second quarter of fiscal year 2011 quarterly report of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6883. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Norton A. Schwartz, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6884. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to recruitment incentives; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6885. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "A Report on Policies and Practices of the U.S. Navy for Naming the Vessels of the Navy; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6886. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6887. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice for Adjudication Proceedings" ((RIN3170-AA05)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0006)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6888. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State Official Notification Rule" ((RIN3170-AA02)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0006)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6889. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules Relating to Investigations" ((RIN3170-AA03)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0007)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6890. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equal Access to Justice Act Implementation Rule" ((RIN3170-AA27)-(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0020)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6891. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6892. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice Requirements under Section 101(j) of ERISA for Funding-Related Benefit Limitations in Single-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans" (Notice 2012-46), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6893. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Project - Employment of Individuals with Disabilities" (CFDA No. 84.133A-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6894. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Pell Grant Program" (RIN1840-AD11), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6895. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "D and C Red No. 6 and D and C Red No. 7; Change in Specification" (Docket No. FDA-2011-C-0050), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6896. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effective Date of Requirement for Premarket Approval for Cardiovascular Permanent Pacemaker Electrode" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0505), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on July 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6897. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule for Phenol, 2,4 dimethyl-6-(1-methylpentadecyl)-" (FRL No. 9649-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6898. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana" (FRL No. 9699-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6899. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho: Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Prevention of Significant Deterioration Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and Tailoring Rule" (FRL No. 9676-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6900. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Natural Gas Sector: New Source Performance Standards and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants Reviews" (FRL No. 9665-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6901. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 2 for the South Atlantic Region; Correction" (RIN0648-BB26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6902. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC001), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6903. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Porbeagle Shark Fishery Closure" (RIN0648-XC044), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6904. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for the South Atlantic Lesser Amberjack, Almaco Jack, and Banded Rudderfish Complex" (RIN0648-XC060), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6905. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Closure of the Delmarva Access Area" (RIN0648-BC04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6906. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule To Delay Start Date of 2012-2013 South Atlantic Black Sea Bass Commercial Fishing Season" (RIN0648-BB98), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6907. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Exempted Fishery for the Southern New England Skate Bait Trawl Fishery" (RIN0648-BB35), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6908. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gray Triggerfish Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6909. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies, Monkfish, Atlantic Sea Scallop; Amendment 17" (RIN0648-BB34), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2104. A bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act (Rept. No. 112-189).

H.R. 1160. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-190).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 285. A bill for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3276. An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3406. An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second

times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BOOZMAN:

S. 3403. A bill to repeal the Federal estate and gift taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3404. A bill to establish within the Department of Energy an Office of Federal Energy Production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3405. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat small businesses bequeathed to spouses and dependents by members of the Armed Forces killed in line of duty as small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3406. An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3407. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JOHANNS:

S. 3408. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from enforcing regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 3409. A bill to address the forest health, public safety, and wildlife habitat threat presented by the risk of wildfire, including catastrophic wildfire, on National Forest System land and public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management by requiring the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to expedite forest management projects relating to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 3410. A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 3411. A bill to provide that the individual mandate under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall not be construed as a tax; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3412. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3413. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 3414. A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States; read the first time.

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

S. 3415. A bill to require the disclosure of all payments made under the Equal Access to Justice Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following concurrent resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LEE:

S. Con. Res. 52. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 19, a bill to restore American's individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare program.

S. 581

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 581, a bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require criminal background checks for child care providers.

S. 657

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 657, a bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 1167

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1167, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes.

S. 1381

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1381, a bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne disease, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1555

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1555, a bill to authorize the use of certain offshore oil and gas platforms in the Gulf of Mexico for artificial reefs, and for other purposes.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of

S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1744

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1744, a bill to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2137

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2137, a bill to prohibit the issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment in the Armed Forces for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2253

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2253, a bill to require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to disclose any financial accounts that are or have been deposited in a country that is a tax haven.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3280

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3280, a bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

S. 3332

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3332, a bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3356

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3356, a bill to strengthen the role of the United States in the international community of nations in conserving natural resources to further global prosperity and security.

S. 3366

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3366, a bill to designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3397

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3397, a bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 42, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 46, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder

governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing entitled "Making College Affordability a Priority: Promising Practices and Strategies" on July 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 19, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Impacts of Environmental Changes on Treaty Rights, Traditional Lifestyles, and Tribal Homelands."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:33 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2009. An act to improve the administration of programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes.

S. 2165. An act to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

H.R. 205. An act to amend the Act titled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases", approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3001. An act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 11:35 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4155. An act to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 12:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5872. An act to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to sec. 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 52. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.

BILLS READ TWICE AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following bills, introduced on today, be read twice and placed on the calendar:

S. 3412. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.

S. 3413. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, introduced today by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CARPER), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5872) to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 23, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 23, 2012, and that, on Monday next, immediately following the

prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Michael A. Shipp, as pursuant to the order of today; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon; and that the Senate vote on question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on said nomination at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:46 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 23, 2012.

MONDAY, JULY 23, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 23, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3412) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR MOMENT OF SILENCE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate observe a moment of silence to honor the victims of the shooting in Aurora, Colorado.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

At 2:03 p.m.

The Senate observed a moment of silence.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 19, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 19, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412:

HARRY REID, MAX BAUCUS, TOM UDALL, DEBBIE STABENOW, MARK BEGICH, S. WHITEHOUSE, CARL LEVIN, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., TOM HARKIN, TOM CARPER, CHRIS COONS, B. A. MIKULSKI, J. A. MERKLEY, K. E. GILLIBRAND, D. K. INOUYE, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, MARK R. WARNER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 19, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 19, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 20, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the President of the United States:

NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED WITH RESPECT TO SOMALIA—PM 58

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") taking additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010 (E.O. 13536).

In E.O. 13536, I found that that the deterioration of the security situation and the persistence of violence in Somalia, and acts of piracy and armed robbery at sea off the coast of Somalia, which have repeatedly been the subject of United Nations Security Council resolutions, and violations of the arms embargo imposed by the United Nations Security Council in Resolution 733 of January 23, 1992, and elaborated upon and amended by subsequent resolutions, constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. To address that threat, E.O. 13536 blocks the property and interests in property of persons listed in the Annex to E.O. 13536 or determined by the Secretary of

the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to meet criteria specified in E.O. 13536.

In view of United Nations Security Council Resolution 2036 of February 22, 2012, and Resolution 2002 of July 29, 2011, I am issuing the order to take additional steps to deal with the national emergency declared in E.O. 13536 and to address exports of charcoal from Somalia, which generate significant revenue for al-Shabaab; the misappropriation of Somali public assets; and certain acts of violence committed against civilians in Somalia, all of which contribute to the deterioration of the security situation and the persistence of violence in Somalia.

The order prohibits the importation into the United States, directly or indirectly, of charcoal from Somalia. It also amends the designation criteria specified in E.O. 13536. As amended by the order, E.O. 13536 provides for the designation of persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to:

Have engaged in acts that directly or indirectly threaten the peace, security, or stability of Somalia, including but not limited to: Acts that threaten the Djibouti Agreement of August 18, 2008, or the political process; acts that threaten the Transitional Federal Institutions or future Somali governing institutions, the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM), or other future international peacekeeping operations related to Somalia; or acts to misappropriate Somali public assets;

Have obstructed the delivery of humanitarian assistance to Somalia, or access to, or distribution of, humanitarian assistance in Somalia;

Have directly or indirectly supplied, sold or transferred to Somalia, or to have been the recipient in the territory of Somalia of, arms or any related materiel, or any technical advice, training, or assistance, including financing and financial assistance, related to military activities;

Be responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, or to have participated in, the commission of acts of violence targeting civilians in Somalia, including killing and maiming, sexual and gender-based violence, attacks on schools and hospitals, taking hostages, and forced displacement;

Be a political or military leader recruiting or using children in armed conflict in Somalia;

Have engaged, directly or indirectly, in the import or export of charcoal from Somalia on or after February 22, 2012;

Have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, logistical or technical support for, or goods or services in support of, the activities described above or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13536; or

Be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13536.

The designation criteria will be applied in accordance with applicable Federal law including, where appropriate, the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. In view of United Nations Security Council Resolution 2002 of July 29, 2011, persons who engage in non-local commerce via al-Shabaab-controlled ports that constitutes support for a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13536 may be subject to designation pursuant to E.O. 13536, as amended by the order.

The order was effective at 2:00 p.m. eastern daylight time on July 20, 2012. I have delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the authority to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all power's granted to the President by IEEPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order. All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 20, 2012.*

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1039. A bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-191).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3416. A bill to enhance civil penalties under the Federal securities laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3417. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3418. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to use only human-based methods for training members of the Armed Forces in the treatment of severe combat injuries; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 3419. A bill to provide for the establishment of the United States Employee Ownership Bank, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. RISCH, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 3420. A bill to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts, to provide for permanent alternative minimum tax relief, and to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 3421. A bill to establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3422. A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3423. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

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

S. Res. 524. A resolution reaffirming the strong support of the United States for the 2002 declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among the member states of ASEAN and the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 102

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 102, a bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 343

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 343, a bill to amend Title I of PL 99-658 regarding the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau, to approve the results of the 15-year review of the Compact, including the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Following the Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review, and to appropriate funds for the purposes of the amended PL 99-658 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2024, to carry out the agreements resulting from that review.

S. 387

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 387, a bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 866

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 866, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service.

S. 896

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 896, a bill to amend the Public Land Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service.

S. 933

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 933, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and increase the exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1368

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1368, a bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin.

S. 1372

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1372, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding environmental education, and for other purposes.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1806

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1806, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units.

S. 1911

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1911, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide recruitment and retention incentives for volunteer emergency service workers.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 2093

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2093, a bill to establish pilot programs to encourage the use of shared appreciation mortgage modifications, and for other purposes.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2201, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3248

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of S. 3248, a bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States.

S. 3290

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3290, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes.

S. 3325

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3325, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at 10 institutions of higher education to improve student mental health.

S. 3352

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3352, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend certain energy-related tax provisions, and for other purposes.

S. 3372

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA], the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3372, a bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code.

S. 3392

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 3392, a bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to require the disclosure of the total number of the domestic and foreign employers of issuers.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 494

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 494, a resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5856. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 133. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol for an event to present the Congressional Gold Medal to Arnold Palmer, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2527) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 5856. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, introduced

on Thursday, July 19, 2012 by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. CONRAD objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5872) to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, July 19, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. CONRAD objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. CONRAD,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3420) to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts, to provide for permanent alternative minimum tax relief, and to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. RISCH, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. RON JOHNSON), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. CONRAD asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. CONRAD objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONGRESSIONAL BADGE OF BRAVERY BOARD

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the majority leader, and the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 110-298, had appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: Mike Hettich, of Kentucky.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONGRESSIONAL BADGE OF BRAVERY BOARD

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the majority leader, and the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 110-298, had appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: Richard Gardner, of Nevada.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That, at 3:40 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate observe a moment of silence in memory of Officer Jacob J. Chestnut and Detective John M. Gibson of the United States Capitol Police, who died while defending the Capitol, the people who work here, and its visitors, against an armed intruder.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

At 6:20 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3412) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3420) to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts, to provide for permanent alternative minimum tax relief, and to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. RISCH, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. RON JOHNSON), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

Pending debate,

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

At 12:30 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate observed a moment of silence to recognize the fourteenth anniversary of the deaths of U.S. Capitol Police Officers J. J. Chestnut and John Gibson, who died while defending the Capitol against an armed gunman.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO LEBANON—PM 59

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared with respect to the actions of certain persons to undermine the sovereignty of Lebanon or its democratic processes and institutions is to continue in effect beyond August 1, 2012.

Certain ongoing activities, such as continuing arms transfers to Hizballah that include increasingly sophisticated weapons systems, undermine Lebanese sovereignty, contribute to political and economic instability in the region, and continue to constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared on August 1, 2007, to deal with that threat and the related measures adopted on that date to respond to the emergency.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 24, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6910. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disaster Designation Process" (RIN0560-AH17), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6911. A communication from the Under Secretary, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Limit Change" (RIN0575-AC94), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6912. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 9354-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6913. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Difenoconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9354-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6914. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation Treatment; Location of Facilities in the Southern United States" ((RIN0579-AD35)(Docket No. APHIS-2009-0100)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6915. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Formaldehyde Standards for Composite Wood Products Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6916. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Charles E. Stenner, Jr., United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6917. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Thomas J. Owen, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6918. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6919. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, the Board's Report to Congress on the Status of Significant

Unresolved Issues with the Department of Energy's Design and Construction Projects; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6920. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the current and future military strategy of Iran (DCN OSS 2012-1130); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6921. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commission Guidance Regarding Definitions of Mortgage Related Security and Small Business Related Security" (RIN3235-AL33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6922. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidated Audit Trail" (RIN3235-AK51), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6923. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Definition of 'Swap', 'Security-Based-Swap', and 'Security-Based Swap Agreement'; Mixed Swaps; Security-Based Swap Agreement Recordkeeping" (RIN3235-AK65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6924. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6925. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6926. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Export and Reexport Controls to Rwanda and United Nations Sanctions under the Export Administration Regulations" (RIN0694-AF31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6927. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Calculation of Maximum Obligation Limitation" (RIN1505-AC36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6928. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6929. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary, Community Planning and Development, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6930. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6931. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6932. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2011 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6933. A joint communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Accounting and Administrative Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6934. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, (15) fifteen reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Energy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3424. A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL:

S. 3425. A bill to amend the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to provide a notice requirement regarding offshoring; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3426. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to address certain issues related to the extension of consumer credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 3427. A bill to permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit under section 45F of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN:

S. 3428. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 3429. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. Res. 525. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinas; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 526. A resolution designating November 2012 as "Stomach Cancer Awareness Month" and supporting efforts to

educate the public about stomach cancer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. REED, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. REID, Mr. CORKER, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. INOUYE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BURR, Mrs. HAGAN, and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 527. A resolution designating August 16, 2012, as "National Airborne Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 528. A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of the American Podiatric Medical Association, the preeminent organization representing podiatric medicine and surgery, celebrating its achievements, and encouraging the association to continue providing guidance on foot and ankle health issues to the people of the United States and of the world; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Con. Res. 53. A concurrent resolution honoring the victims of the Aurora, Colorado, movie theater shooting and condemning the atrocities that occurred in Aurora, Colorado; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 137

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 137, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide protections for consumers against excessive, unjustified, or unfairly discriminatory increases in premium rates.

S. 239

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 239, a bill to support innovation, and for other purposes.

S. 432

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 432, a bill to provide for environmental restoration activities and forest management activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 961

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 961, a bill to create the income security conditions and family supports needed to ensure permanency for the Nation's unaccompanied youth, and for other purposes.

S. 1102

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1102, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1421

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1421, a bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

S. 1605

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1605, a bill to amend the Fair Housing Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, supra.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3186

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3186, a bill to make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile device.

S. 3203

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3203, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3244

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3244, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory.

S. 3269

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3269, a bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed.

S. 3384

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3384, a bill to extend supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs.

S. 3395

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3395, a bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs.

S. 3397

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] and the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3397, a bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes.

S. 3423

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3423, a bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SANDERS,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a committee hearing entitled "Housing Partnerships in Indian Country."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The Cable Act at 20."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS AND SUBCOMMITTEE ON SUPERFUND, TOXICS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics, and Environmental Health be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a joint hearing entitled, "Oversight of EPA Authorities and Actions to Control Exposures to Toxic Chemicals."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a briefing entitled, "Intelligence Update on Syria."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 24, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 24, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Taking Back Our Democracy: Responding to Citizens United and the Rise of Super PACs."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 24, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Private Student Loans: Providing Flexibility and Opportunity to Borrowers?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION, REFUGEES, AND BORDER SECURITY

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 24, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Strengthening the Integrity of the Student Visa System by Preventing and Detecting Sham Educational Institutions."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the

House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1335. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 1237. An act to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1369. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1021 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, as the "Warren Lindley Post Office".

H.R. 2467. An act to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.

H.R. 2896. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the "Judge Shirley A. Tolentino Post Office Building".

H.R. 3388. An act to mend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3477. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building.

H.R. 3556. An act to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the "Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse".

H.R. 3593. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the "National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 3742. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 North Church Street in Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the "Edwin L. Mechem United States Courthouse".

H.R. 3870. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6083 Highway 36 West in Rose Bud, Arkansas, as the "Nicky 'Nick' Daniel Bacon Post Office".

H.R. 4347. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Robert Boochever United States Courthouse".

H.R. 4484. An act to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5837. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building".

H.R. 5859. An act to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting.

H.R. 5958. An act to name the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge Visitor Contact Station of the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge unit of Gateway National Recreation Area in honor of James L. Buckley.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2527. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1237. An act to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 1369. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1021 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, as the "Warren Lindley Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2467. An act to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 2896. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the "Judge Shirley A. Tolentino Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3388. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3477. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3593. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the "National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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H.R. 5859. An act to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 5958. An act to name the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge Visitor Contact Station of the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge unit of Gateway National Recreation Area in honor of James L. Buckley; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

AMENDING THE INDIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT REFORM ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 2090) to amend

the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL AIRBORNE DAY"

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 527) designating August 16, 2012, as "National Airborne Day", submitted today by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. REED, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. REID, Mr. CORKER, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TESTER, Mr. INOUYE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BURR, Mrs. HAGAN, and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN PODIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 528) recognizing the 100th anniversary of the American Podiatric Medical Association, the preeminent organization representing podiatric medicine and surgery, celebrating its achievements, and encouraging the association to continue providing guidance on foot and ankle health issues to the people of the United States and of the world, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. BENNET,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3429) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. BENNET asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. BENNET objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER MEDAL OF VALOR REVIEW BOARD

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the minority leader, pursuant to Public Law 107-12, had appointed Mr. Rick Clemons, of Kentucky, as a member of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the time until 2:15 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the majority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, at 2:15 p.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

At 6:50 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 25, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3412) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3429) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, and Mrs. MURRAY), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3412

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 4 p.m., the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412 be withdrawn; that the motion to proceed be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) (being the text of bill S. 3413), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. HATCH), be the only amendment in order to be proposed; that the amendment not be divisible; that the time until 4 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute); that, upon disposition of the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; that no motion, point of order, or amendment be in order to the amendment or bill; and that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the votes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

The hour of 4 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3412 was withdrawn.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The motion to proceed was agreed to.

Whereupon,

MIDDLE CLASS TAX CUT ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. KLOBUCHAR in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3412) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BURR, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. KYL, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. SHELBY, and Mr. ISAKSON) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2573, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. HATCH,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 45, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 183 Leg.]

YEAS --- 45

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment (in the nature of substitute) was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill was read the third time.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. MCCONNELL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 51, nays... 48

[Rollcall Vote No. 184 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 48

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. DURBIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414:

HARRY REID, J. LIEBERMAN, JAY ROCKEFELLER, DIANNE FEINSTEIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, B. A. MIKULSKI, BARBARA BOXER, JEFF BINGAMAN, PATTY MURRAY, MAX BAUCUS, CHUCK SCHUMER, BILL NELSON, CHRIS COONS, TOM UDALL, CARL LEVIN, MARK R. WARNER, BEN NELSON.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-106. A Concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of

Utah expressing concerns over portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Whereas, the Congress of the United States passed the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 ("2012 NDAA") on December 15, 2011;

Whereas, the President of the United States of America signed the 2012 NDAA into law on December 31, 2011;

Whereas, Section 1021 of the 2012 NDAA affirms the authority of the Armed Forces of the United States to detain covered persons pending disposition under the law of war and defines covered persons to include persons associated with the attacks on September 11, 2011 or members and supporters of al-Qaeda, the Taliban, or other associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States;

Whereas, Section 1022 of the 2012 NDAA requires that members of al-Qaeda captured in the course of hostilities be detained in military custody pending disposition under the laws of war, except that it is not a requirement to detain a citizen of the United States or lawful resident alien of the United States on the basis of conduct taking place within the United States;

Whereas, there is disagreement about the impacts of Sections 1021 and 1022 of the 2012 NDAA;

Whereas, the United States Constitution and the Utah Constitution provide for due process and a speedy trial;

Whereas, the indefinite military detention of a citizen in the United States without charge or trial violates the right to be free from deprivation of life, liberty, or property without due process of law guaranteed by the United States Constitution, Amendment V and Utah Constitution, Article I, Section 14; and

Whereas, it is indisputable that the threat of terrorism is real and that the full force of appropriate and constitutional law must be used to defeat this threat; however, winning the war against terror cannot come at the great expense of mitigating basic, fundamental, constitutional rights: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the State of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, reaffirms our rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the Utah Constitution, and urges the United States Congress to clarify, or repeal if found necessary, Sections 1021 and 1022 of the 2012 NDAA to ensure protection of the rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the Utah Constitution; *be it further*

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution should be sent to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-107. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah expressing support for interconnection of the seven Salt Lake County and Summit County ski resorts; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Whereas, tourism is one of Utah's major "export industries" that sells services or products to destination visitors and brings money into the state to support our local economy and provide jobs for current and future Utahns;

Whereas, over 20 million people visited the state of Utah in 2010, spending over $6.5 billion, or 5.5% of Utah's gross domestic product, contributing over $840 million in state and local taxes, and sustaining as much as 10% of the jobs in the state;

Whereas, the ski and snowboard industry is a major contributor to Utah's tourism industry, contributing over $1.2 billion to the state's economy as a result of over 4 million skier days, and growth in the ski and snowboard industry will bring additional spending, revenue, and jobs to the state;

Whereas, tourists who ski or snowboard in Utah spend money on lift tickets, equipment rentals, hotels, restaurants, car rentals, and other matters, and this money circulates through the economy, supporting over 20,000 local jobs;

Whereas, the seven ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County are all located in close proximity to one another, offering the opportunity to connect these resorts, an opportunity that leading competing winter tourism states do not have;

Whereas, connecting the ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County will create a skiing experience unavailable anywhere else in North America and reposition Utah's ski and snowboard experience to be even more competitive and attractive relative to other states, leading to increased tourist visitation and spending, which will in turn lead to an increase in revenue and jobs;

Whereas, it is recognized that Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons are critical watersheds from which more than 500,000 Utah residents, businesses, and visitors throughout Salt Lake County receive their drinking water, and that best management practices would be required in any potential resort connections;

Whereas, the balance of multiple uses in the Wasatch Mountains, including developed recreation, such as skiing and picnicking, and dispersed recreation, such as hiking, mountain biking, and back country skiing, are highly valued by residents, visitors, and businesses in Utah and contribute significantly to the state's economy and quality of life;

Whereas, the roads to ski areas in Summit County and Salt Lake County are congested during certain times of the year, and studies should be conducted by numerous federal, state, local, and private sector entities to comprehensively evaluate alternatives to solve transportation problems;

Whereas, connecting the ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County will improve access to the ski resorts and allow the unique opportunity of skiing at multiple resorts in a single day;

Whereas, connecting the ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County is an issue of state concern because the connection will cross county boundaries, have a tremendously positive impact on the state economy, and may contribute positively to state roadways and airsheds;

Whereas, connecting ski resorts will allow the winter sports industry to grow while making the most efficient and sustainable use of ski terrain, roads, facilities, and parking lots;

Whereas, connecting the ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County may require review and approval of permits by Summit County, Salt Lake County, Salt Lake City, Park City, the town of Alta, and the United States Forest Service;

Whereas, the public will be engaged in meaningful and balanced ways in any potential decision-making processes regarding resort interconnections, and these processes will be open and transparent;

Whereas, many skiers drive from Summit County to ski in the Cottonwood Canyons, or from one Cottonwood Canyon resort to ski in Summit County or at another Cottonwood Canyon resort, contributing to congestion on canyon roads;

Whereas, connecting the ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County will decrease traffic on congested canyon roads and lead to cleaner air and water by reducing automobile-related pollution, and provide emergency evacuation options for Big and Little Cottonwood canyons;

Whereas, the 1988 Governor's Task Force on Interconnect concluded that 3 kA)47 S.C.R. 10 Enrolled Copy interconnecting the Wasatch ski resorts "would provide a substantial boost to Utah's ski industry and have a positive influence on the state's economy"; and

Whereas, the Wasatch Mountains Inter-Resort Transportation Study, completed by Mountainland Association of Governments in 1990, found that connecting the Wasatch resorts "hold[s] the promise of substantial public benefits in the form of reductions in automobile traffic on congested canyon roadways, watershed and environmental

pollution abatement, increased slow-season occupancy of existing facilities, and the potential for future economic expansion": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, support connecting the seven ski resorts in Summit County and Salt Lake County with an inter-resort transportation system based on sound research and balanced public input, and careful evaluation of its impact on transportation, the economy, job creation, the environment, multiple uses, and visitor experience; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and Governor encourage Summit County, Salt Lake County, Salt Lake City, Park City, the town of Alta, and the United States Forest Service to fairly consider the benefits of connecting the various resorts and expeditiously approve a low-impact inter-resort transportation system based on appropriate analysis and balanced public input; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Summit County Council, the Summit County Manager, the mayor of Park City, the Park City Council, the Salt Lake County Council, the town of Alta, the Mayor of Salt Lake County, the Salt Lake City Council, the Mayor of Salt Lake City, the Chief of the National Forest Service, the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest Supervisor, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, and all members of the Utah Congressional Delegation.

POM-108. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah petitioning the federal government to transfer title of public lands to the state of Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Whereas, in 1780, the United States Congress resolved that "the unappropriated lands that may be ceded or relinquished to the United States, by any particular states, pursuant to the recommendation of Congress of the 6 day of September last, shall be granted and disposed of for the common benefit of all the United States that shall be members of the federal union, and be settled and formed into distinct republican states, which shall become members of the federal union, and have the same rights of sovereignty, freedom and independence, as the other states: ... and that upon such cession being made by any State and approved and accepted by Congress, the United States shall guaranty the remaining territory of the said States respectively. (Resolution of Congress, October 10, 1780)";

Whereas, the territorial and public lands of the United States are dealt with in Article IV, section 3, clause 2 of the United States Constitution, referred to as the Property Clause, which states, "The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States.";

Whereas, with this clause, the Constitutional Convention agreed that the Constitution would maintain the "status quo" that had been established with respect to the federal territorial lands being disposed of only to create new states with the same rights of sovereignty, freedom, and independence as the original states;

Whereas, under these express terms of trust, the land claiming states, over time, ceded their western land to their confederated union and retained their claims that the confederated government dispose of such lands only to create new states "and for no other use or purpose whatsoever" and apply the net proceeds of any sales of such lands only for the purpose of paying down the public debt;

Whereas, with respect to the disposition of the federal territorial lands, the Northwest Ordinance of July 13, 1787, provides, "The legislatures of those districts or new States, shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the soil by the United States in Congress assembled, nor with any regulations Congress may find necessary for securing the title in such soil to the bona fide purchasers";

Whereas, by resolution in 1790, the United States Congress declared "That the proceeds of sales which shall be made of lands in the Western territory, now belonging or that may hereafter belong to the United States, shall be, and are hereby appropriated towards sinking or discharging the debts for the payment whereof the United States now are, or by virtue of this act may be holden, and shall be applied solely to that use, until the said debt shall be fully satisfied";

Whereas, the intent of the founding fathers to eventually extinguish title to all public lands was reaffirmed by President Andrew Jackson in a message to the United States Senate on December 4, 1833, where he explained the reasons he vetoed a bill entitled "An act to appropriate for a limited time the proceeds of the sales of the public lands of the United States and for granting lands to certain States": "I do not doubt that it is the real interest of each and all the States in the Union, and particularly of the new States, that the price of these lands shall be reduced and graduated, and that after they have been offered for a certain number of years the refuse remaining unsold shall be abandoned to the States and the machinery of our land system entirely withdrawn. It cannot be supposed the compacts intended that the United States should retain forever a title to lands within the States which are of no value, and no doubt is entertained that the general interest would be best promoted by surrendering such lands to the States";

Whereas, in 1828, United States Supreme Court Chief Justice John Marshall, in American Ins. Co. v. 356 Bales of Cotton, 26 U.S. 511 (1828), confirmed that no provision in the Constitution authorized the federal government to indefinitely exercise control over western public lands beyond the duty to manage these lands pending the disposal of the lands to create new states when he said, "At the time the Constitution was formed, the limits of the territory over which it was to operate were generally defined and recognised (sic). These limits consisted in part, of organized states, and in part of territories, the absolute property and dependencies of the United States. These states, this territory, and future states to be admitted into the Union, are the sole objects of the Constitution; there is no express provision whatever made in the Constitution for the acquisition or government of territories beyond those Limits.";

Whereas, in 1833, referring to these land cession compacts which arose from the original 1780 congressional resolution, President Andrew Jackson stated, "These solemn compacts, invited by Congress in a resolution declaring the purposes to which the proceeds of these lands should be applied, originating before the constitution, and forming the basis on which it was made, bound the United States to a particular course of policy in relation to them by ties as strong as can be invented to secure the faith of nations" (Land bill veto, December 5, 1833);

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court, in State of Texas v. White, 74 U.S. 700 (1868), clarified that a state, by definition, includes a defined sovereign territory, stating that "State," in the constitutional context, is "a political community of free citizens, occupying a territory of defined boundaries, and organized under a government sanctioned and limited by a written constitution, and established by the consent of the governed", and added, "This is undoubtedly the fundamental idea upon which the republican institutions of our own country are established";

Whereas, in Shively v. Bowlby, 152 U.S. 1 (1894), the United States Supreme Court confirmed that all federal territories, regardless of how acquired, are held in trust to create new states on an equal footing with the original states when it stated, "Upon the acquisition of a Territory by the United States, whether by cession from one of the States, or by treaty with a foreign country, or by discovery and settlement, the same title and dominion passed to the United States, for the benefit of the whole people, and in trust for the several States to be ultimately created out of the Territory.";

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court has affirmed that the federal government

must honor its trust obligation to extinguish title to the public lands for the sovereignty of the new state to be complete, stating once "the United States shall have fully executed these trusts, the municipal sovereignty of the new states will be complete, throughout their respective borders, and they, and the original states, will be upon an equal footing, in all respects. . ." (Polland v. Hagan, 44 U.S. 212 (1845));

Whereas, the enabling acts of the new states west of the original colonies established the terms upon which all such states were admitted into the union, and contained the same promise to all new states that the federal government would extinguish title to all public lands lying within their respective borders;

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court looks upon the enabling acts which create new states as "solemn compacts" and "bilateral (two-way) agreements" to be performed "in a timely fashion";

Whereas, under Section 3 of Utah's Enabling Act, Utah agreed to the same solemn compacts as states preceding in statehood, that until the title to unappropriated public lands lying within the state's boundaries "shall have been extinguished by the United States, the same shall be and remain subject to the disposition of the United States, and said Indian lands shall remain under the absolute jurisdiction and control of the Congress of the United States; . . . that no taxes shall be imposed by the State on lands or property therein belonging to or which may hereafter be purchased by the United States or reserved for its use";

Whereas, the trust obligation of the federal government to timely extinguish title of all public lands lying within the boundaries of the state of Utah is made even more clear in Section 9 of Utah's Enabling Act as follows: "That five per centum of the proceeds of the sales of public lands lying within said State, which shall be sold by the United States subsequent to the admission of said State into the Union, after deducting all the expenses incident to the same shall be paid to the said State, to be used as a Permanent Fund, the interest of which only shall be expended for the support of the common schools within said State";

Whereas, the federal government confirmed its trust obligation to timely extinguish title to all public lands lying within the boundaries of the state of Utah by and through the 1934 Taylor Grazing Act, which declared that the act was established "In order to promote the highest use of the public lands pending its final disposal";

Whereas, in 1976, after nearly 200 years of trust history regarding the obligation of Congress to extinguish title of western lands to create new states and use the proceeds to discharge its public debts, the United States Congress purported to unilaterally change this solemn promise by and through the Federal Land Policy Management Act (FLPMA), which provides, in part, "The Congress declares that it is the policy of the United States that the public lands be retained in Federal ownership, unless . . . it is determined that disposal of a particular parcel will serve the federal interest";

Whereas, at the time of Utah's Enabling Act the course and practice of the United States Congress with all prior states admitted to the union had been to fully extinguish title, within a reasonable time, to all lands within the boundaries of such states, except for those Indian lands, or lands otherwise expressly reserved to the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States;

Whereas, the state of Utah did not, and could not have, contemplated or bargained for the United States failing or refusing to abide by its solemn promise to extinguish title to all lands within its defined boundaries within a reasonable time such that the state of Utah and its permanent fund for its common schools could never realize the bargained-for benefit of the deployment, taxation, or economic benefit of all the lands within its defined boundaries;

Whereas, from 1780 forward the federal government only held bare legal title to the western public lands in the nature of a trustee in trust with the solemn obligation to timely extinguish title to such lands to create new states and to use the proceeds to pay the public debt;

Whereas, the federal government complied with its promise and solemn obligation to imminently transfer title of public lands lying within the boundaries of all states to the eastern edge of the state of Colorado and also with the state of Hawaii;

Whereas, by the terms of Utah's Enabling Act, Utah suspended its sovereign right to eventually tax the public lands within its borders, pending final disposition of the public lands;

Whereas, the federal government has repeatedly and persistently failed to honor its promises and has refused to abide by the terms of its preexisting solemn obligations to imminently extinguish title to all public lands;

Whereas, had Congress honored its promise to Utah to timely extinguish title to all public lands within Utah's boundaries, Utah would have had sovereign control over lands within its borders;

Whereas, Congress, by and through FLPMA, unilaterally altered its duty in 1976 to extinguish title to all public lands within Utah's borders by committing to a policy of retention and a process of comprehensive land management and planning coordinated between the federal government, the states, and local governing bodies for access, multiple use, and sustained yield of the public lands;

Whereas, despite the fact that the federal government had not divested all public lands within Utah's borders by 1976, this did not alleviate the federal government from its duty to extinguish title and divest itself of federal ownership of remaining public land in Utah by ceding such land directly to the state as it did with other states;

Whereas, since the passage of FLPMA, the federal government has engaged in a persistent pattern and course of conduct in direct violation of the letter and spirit of FLPMA through an abject disregard of local resource management plans, failure and refusal to coordinate and cooperate with the state and local governments, unilateral and oppressive land control edicts to the severe and extreme detriment of the state and its ability to adequately fund education, provide essential government services, secure economic opportunities for wage earners and Utah business, and ensure a stable prosperous future;

Whereas, under the United States Constitution, the American states reorganized to form a more perfect union, yielding up certain portions of their sovereign powers to the elected officers of the government of their union, yet retaining the residuum of sovereignty for the purpose of independent internal self governance;

Whereas, by compact between the original states, territorial lands were divided into "suitable extents of territory" and upon attaining a certain population, were to be admitted into the union upon "an equal footing" as members possessing "the same rights of sovereignty, freedom and independence" as the original states;

Whereas, the federal trust respecting public lands obligates the United States, through their agent, Congress, to extinguish both their government jurisdiction and their title on the public lands that are held in trust by the United States for the states in which they are located;

Whereas, the state and federal partnership of public lands management has been eroded by an oppressive and over-reaching federal management agenda that has adversely impacted the sovereignty and the economies of the state of Utah and local governments;

Whereas, federal land-management actions, even when applied exclusively to federal lands, directly impact the ability of the state of Utah to manage its school trust lands in accordance with the mandate of the Utah Enabling Act and to meet its obligation to the beneficiaries of the trust;

Whereas, Utah has been substantially damaged in its ability to provide funding for education and the common good of the state and to serve a sustainable, vibrant economy into the future because the federal government has unduly retained control of

nearly two-thirds of the lands lying within Utah's borders;

Whereas, Utah consistently ranks highest among all the states in class size and lowest in the nation in per pupil spending for education;

Whereas, had the federal government disposed of the land in or about 1896, Utah would have, from that point forward, generated substantial tax revenues and revenues from the sustainable managed use of its natural resources to the benefit of its public schools and to the common good of the state and nation;

Whereas, the federal government gives Utah less than half of the net proceeds of mineral lease revenues and severance taxes generated from the lands within Utah's borders;

Whereas, Utah has been substantially damaged in mineral lease revenues and severance taxes in that, had the federal government extinguished title to all public lands, Utah would realize 100% of the mineral lease revenues and severance taxes from the lands;

Whereas, the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) failure to act affirmatively on definitive allocation decisions of multiple use activities in resource management plans has created uncertainty in the future of public land use in Utah and has caused capital to flee the state;

Whereas, during the process of finalizing the most recent six Resource Management Plans, the BLM refused to consider state and local government acknowledgments of R.S. 2477 rights-of-way or other evidence of the existence of R.S. 2477 rights-of-way in the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument;

Whereas, the BLM has demonstrated a chronic inability to handle the proliferation of wild horses and burros on the public lands, to the detriment of the rangeland resource;

Whereas, the United States Army Corps of Engineers is proposing to extend its jurisdiction to regulate the waters of the United States to areas traditionally dry, except during severe weather events, in violation of the common definition of jurisdictional waters;

Whereas, in 1996, the president of the United States abused the intent of the Antiquities Act by the creation of the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument without any consultation with the state and local authorities or citizens;

Whereas, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service is making decisions concerning various species on BLM lands under the provisions of the Endangered Species Act without serious consideration of state wildlife management activities and protection designed to prevent the need for a listing, or recognizing the ability to delist a species, thereby affecting the economic vitality of the state and local region;

Whereas, the BLM has not authorized all necessary rangeland improvement projects involving the removal of pinyon-juniper and other climax vegetation, thereby reducing the biological diversity of the range, reducing riparian viability and water quality, and reducing the availability of forage for both livestock and wildlife;

Whereas, Utah initially supported placing into reserve the six National Forests in Utah—Ashley, Fishlake, Manti La-Sal, Dixie, Uinta, and Wasatch-Cache, because Utah was promised this action would preserve the forest lands as watersheds and for agricultural use—namely timber and other wood products, and grazing;

Whereas, this vision and promise of agricultural production on the forest lands is the reason that the United States Forest Service was made part of the United States Department of Agriculture as opposed to the Department of the Interior;

Whereas, the promise of preservation for agricultural use has been broken by the current and recent administrations;

Whereas, logging, timber, and wood products operations on Utah's National Forests have come to a virtual standstill, resulting in forests that are choked with old growth monocultures, loss of aspen diversity, loss of habitat, and a threat to community watersheds due to insect infestation and catastrophic fire;

Whereas, these conditions are the result of a failure to properly manage the forest lands for their intended use, which is responsible and sustained timber production, watersheds, and grazing;

Whereas, the only remedy for federal government breaches of Utah's Enabling Act Compact and breaches to the spirit and letter of the promises of FLPMA is for the state of Utah to take back title and management responsibility of federally-managed public lands, which would restore the promises in the solemn compact made at statehood;

Whereas, under Article I, Section 8, Clause 17 of the United States Constitution, the federal government is only constitutionally authorized to exercise jurisdiction over and above bare right and title over lands that are "purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings";

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court affirmed that the federal government only holds lands as a mere "ordinary proprietor" and cannot exert jurisdictional dominion and control over public lands without the consent of the state Legislature, stating "Where lands are acquired without such consent, the possession of the United States, unless political jurisdiction be ceded to them in some other way, is simply that of an ordinary proprietor (emphasis added). The property in that case, unless used as a means to carry out the purposes of the government, is subject to the legislative authority and control of the states equally with the property of private individuals."(Ft. Leavenworth R. Co. v. Lowe, 114 U.S. 525 (1885));

Whereas, in a unanimous 2009 decision, the United States Supreme Court, in Hawaii v. Office of Hawaiian Affairs, 556 U.S. 163 (2009), affirmed that Congress has no right to change the promises it made to a state's Enabling Act, stating, ". . . [a subsequent act of Congress] would raise grave constitutional concerns if it purported to 'cloud' Hawaii's title to its sovereign lands more than three decades after the State's admission to the Union. . . ' *[T]he consequences of admission are instantaneous, and it ignores the uniquely sovereign character of that event . . . to suggest that subsequent events somehow can diminish what has already been bestowed'. And that proposition applies a fortiori [with even greater force] where virtually all of the State's public lands. . . are at stake*" (emphasis added, citation omitted);

Whereas, citizens of the state of Utah have a love of the land and have demonstrated responsible stewardship of lands within state jurisdiction;

Whereas, the state of Utah is willing to sponsor, evaluate, and advance the locally driven efforts in a more efficient manner than the federal government, to the benefit of all users, including recreation, conservation, and the responsible and sustainable management of Utah's natural resources;

Whereas, the state of Utah has a proven regulatory structure to manage public lands for multiple use and sustainable yield;

Whereas, the United States Congress disposed of lands within the boundaries of the states of Tennessee and Hawaii directly to those states;

Whereas, because of the entanglements and rights arising over the 116 years that the federal government has failed to honor its promise to timely extinguish title to public lands and because of the federal government's breach of Utah's Enabling Act and breach of FLPMA, among other promises made, and the damages resulting from such breaches, the United States Congress should imminently transfer title to all public lands lying within the State of Utah directly to the State of Utah, as it did with Hawaii and Tennessee;

Whereas, the Legislature of the state of Utah, upon transfer of title by the federal government of the public lands directly to the state, intends to cede the national park land to the federal government on condition that the lands permanently remain national park lands, that they not be sold, transferred, left in disrepair, or conveyed to any party other than the state of Utah;

Whereas, the Legislature of the state of Utah, upon transfer of title by the federal government of the public lands directly to the state, intends to cede to the federal government all lands currently designated as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System pursuant to the Wilderness Act of 1964;

Whereas, in order to effectively address the accumulated entanglements and expectations over Utah's public lands, including open space, access, multiple use, and the management of sustainable yields of Utah's natural resources, a Utah Public Lands Commission should be formed to review and manage multiple use of the public lands and to determine, through a public process, the extent to which public land may be sold, if any; and

Whereas, to the extent that the Public Lands Commission determines through a public process that any such land should be sold to private owners, that 5% of the net proceeds should be paid to the permanent fund for Utah's public schools, and 95% of the net proceeds should be paid to the federal government to pay down the federal debt: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved that in order to provide a fair, justified, and equitable remedy for the federal government's past and continuing breaches of its solemn promises to the State of Utah as set forth in this resolution and to provide for the sufficient and necessary funding of Utah's public education system, the Legislature of the state of Utah demands that the federal government imminently transfer title to all of the public lands within Utah's borders directly to the state of Utah. Be it further

Resolved, that the Legislature of the state of Utah urges the United States Congress in the most strenuous terms to engage in good faith communication, cooperation, coordination, and consultation with the state of Utah regarding the transfer of public lands directly to the state of Utah. Be it further

Resolved, that, upon transfer of the public lands directly to the state of Utah, the Legislature intends to affirmatively cede the national park lands to the federal government, under Article I, Section 8, Clause 17 of the United States Constitution, on condition that the lands permanently remain national park lands, that they not be sold, transferred, left in substantial disrepair, or conveyed to any party other than the state of Utah. Be it further

Resolved, that, upon transfer of the public lands directly to the state of Utah, the Legislature intends to affirmatively cede to the federal government all lands currently designated as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System pursuant to the Wilderness Act of 1964. Be it further

Resolved, that the Legislature calls for the creation of a Utah Public Lands Commission to review and manage access, open space, sustainable yields, and the multiple use of the public lands and to determine, through a public process, the extent to which public land may be sold. Be it further

Resolved, that, to the extent that the Public Lands Commission determines through a public process that any such land should be sold to private owners, that 5% of the net proceeds should be paid to the permanent fund for the public schools, and 95% should be paid to the Bureau of the Public Debt to pay down the federal debt. Be it further

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to the United States Department of the Interior, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the members of Utah's congressional delegation, and the Governors, Senate Presidents, and Speakers of the House of the 49 other states.

POM-109. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah expressing support for new technologies and facilities that allow for, and enhance the production and value of, Uintah Black Wax in the Uintah Basin; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

Whereas, the United States is seeking energy development opportunities;

Whereas, using natural resources from all possible energy producing sources is integral to economic growth;

Whereas, within the Uintah Basin of the state of Utah, there is an abundance of crude oil commonly referred to as Black and Yellow Wax crude;

Whereas, geological estimates put the potential of this resource on equal footing with the largest oil developments in the United States;

Whereas, on average, the United States imports from foreign sources more than half of all oil sold in America;

Whereas, a significant amount of imported oil comes from countries and regions hostile to the interests of the United States;

Whereas, conservative estimates indicate that there is more recoverable oil on federal lands in the United States than in Saudi Arabia, a major source of imported oil;

Whereas, a significant amount of the oil in the Uintah Basin is found beneath tribal lands;

Whereas, the Ute Indian Tribes receive significant compensation from oil production on tribal lands;

Whereas, the United States Treasury receives significant revenues from severance taxes paid from oil extraction on federal and tribal lands;

Whereas, the state of Utah receives significant revenues from severance taxes paid from oil extraction on lands within the state;

Whereas, the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands (SITLA) receives significant revenues from oil extracted on SITLA lands in the Uintah Basin;

Whereas, the economies of the counties in the Uintah Basin depend upon the oil and gas industry;

Whereas, the major producers of oil in the Uintah Basin are actively pursuing opportunities to increase production;

Whereas, because of the molecular nature of the wax crude in the Uintah Basin, the refineries in North Salt Lake are currently the only viable market for producers of the wax crude;

Whereas, an oil upgrading facility could change the molecular structure of the wax crude to liquefy it and allow the wax to be delivered to market via pipeline;

Whereas, an oil upgrading facility in the Uintah Basin would allow for increased production of the wax crude in the Uintah Basin, to the benefit of all Utahns; and

Whereas, private companies are willing and anxious to build an oil upgrading facility on private land in the Uintah Basin: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, supports and encourages new technologies and facilities that allow for, and enhance the production and value of, Uintah Black Wax: be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor urge that the development of an oil upgrading facility in the Uintah Basin, through the cooperation and consideration of local, state, and federal officials, be conducted in a manner that is prudent, ethical, and lawful: and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the United States Secretary of the Interior, the Utah Petroleum Association, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, the Public Service Commission, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-110. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida urging Congress to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to reconsider the proposed rule to designate Kings Bay as a manatee refuge and in lieu of the rule partner with the state and local governments in seeking joint long-term solutions to manatee protection; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 611

Whereas, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service established the Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge in 1983 to provide protection and sanctuary for the endangered West Indian manatee within portions of Kings Bay in Crystal River, and

Whereas, the rules currently in effect within the refuge have resulted in a significant increase in manatee population as evidenced by monitoring, sound science, and local data, and

Whereas, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service has proposed a rule to designate all of Kings Bay as a manatee refuge, and

Whereas, adoption of the proposed rule will have a significant adverse impact on the tourism industry, which is a critical part of the Crystal River economy, at a time when its local economy is already seriously weakened by challenges within the national economy, and

Whereas, adoption of the proposed rule will also have a significant adverse impact on the riparian rights of property owners adjacent to Kings Bay and the connecting waterways, and

Whereas, prohibiting the use of any portion of Kings Bay for recreational boating activities, such as swimming, kayaking, and water skiing, will force such activities into the channel of Crystal River, subjecting participants to significant risks associated with sharing the channel with commercial fishing boats and other large watercraft, and

Whereas, there are viable alternatives to the proposed rule, such as increased enforcement of the rules currently in effect, which would accomplish the desired outcome of a reduced incidence rate of manatee injury or death without unduly restricting public use of Kings Bay, a water body that has historically served as the heart of the Crystal River community, and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Crystal River and the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County passed unanimous resolutions requesting that the United States Fish and Wildlife Service reconsider the proposed rule, and

Whereas, adoption of the proposed rule without a proper review of the impact on the City of Crystal River and the surrounding communities would be arbitrary and capricious: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Florida: That the Congress of the United States is urged to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to reconsider the proposed rule to designate Kings Bay as a manatee refuge and in lieu of the rule partner with the state and local governments in seeking joint long-term solutions to manatee protection; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-111. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging Congress to delegate the regulation of hydraulic fracturing to the states; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Whereas, hydraulic fracturing, a mechanical method of increasing the permeability of rock, thus increasing the amount of oil or gas produced from the rock, has greatly enhanced oil and gas production in Utah;

Whereas, oil and gas production increases have led to growth in employment and economic development as well as promotion of energy independence for the United States;

Whereas, the state of Utah, through the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining and the Department of Environmental Quality, have proven more than capable of regulating oil and gas recovery processes and ensuring the safety of workers while protecting the environment; and

Whereas, the state is best situated to closely monitor oil and gas drilling and fracturing operations to ensure that they are conducted in an environmentally sound manner: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urges the Congress of the United States to clearly delegate responsibility for the regulation of hydraulic fracturing to the states; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the United States Secretary of the Interior, the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-112. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Maine urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to enact the Social Security Fairness Act of 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Whereas, under current federal law, an individual who receives a Social Security benefit and a public retirement benefit derived from employment not covered under Social Security is subject to a reduction in the individual's Social Security benefit; and

Whereas, these laws, known as the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision, greatly affect public employees and the Government Pension Offset requires a reduction in the spousal benefit received under Social Security equal to 2/3 of the surviving spouse's benefit under another government pension plan even though the spousal benefit was fully earned; and

Whereas, the Windfall Elimination Provision reduces the Social Security benefit of a person who is also receiving a pension from a public employer that does not participate in Social Security; and

Whereas, the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision are particularly burdensome on the finances of low-income and moderate-income public service workers such as school teachers, clerical workers and school cafeteria employees; and

Whereas, the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision both unfairly reduce benefits for those public employees and their spouses whose careers cross the line between the private and public sectors; and

Whereas, since many lower-paying public service jobs are held by women, both the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision have a disproportionately adverse effect on women; and

Whereas, in some cases, additional support in the form of income, housing, heating and prescription drug assistance and other safety net assistance from state and local governments is needed to make up for the reductions imposed at the federal level; and

Whereas, other participants in Social Security do not have their benefits reduced in this manner; and

Whereas, to participate or not to participate in Social Security in public sector employment is a decision of employers, even though both the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision directly punish employees and their spouses; and

Whereas, although the Government Pension Offset was enacted in 1977 and the Windfall Elimination Provision was enacted in 1983, many of the benefits in dispute had been paid into Social Security prior to the enactment of those laws; and

Whereas, H.R. 1332, the Social Security Fairness Act of 2011, a bipartisan bill introduced in the United States House of Representatives, would repeal these 2 unfair federal pension offsets, which penalize so many people in Maine and the rest of the Nation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request that the President of the United States and the United States Congress work together to enact the Social Security Fairness Act of 2011, permitting retention of a combined public pension and Social Security benefit with no applied reductions; and be it further

Resolved: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the Honorable Barack H. Obama, President of the United States; the President of the United States Senate; the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; and each Member of the Maine Congressional Delegation.

POM-113. A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Colorado memorializing Congress to modify certain reporting procedures for small nonprofit organizations to require the Internal Revenue Service to adequately notify such organizations of the procedures and to allow such organizations to remedy reporting deficiencies; to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 12-003

Whereas, in 2004, the United States Senate Finance Committee issued a white paper proposing reforms to federal oversight of nonprofit organizations; and

Whereas, Senator Charles Grassley, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, encouraged formation of a panel of nonprofit leaders to examine these issues in the white paper and submit recommendations to Congress; and

Whereas, in 2005, the Panel on the Nonprofit Sector (panel) issued a "Report to Congress and the Nonprofit Sector on Governance, Transparency, and Accountability"; and

Whereas, as part of its report, the panel recommended that small nonprofit organizations be required to file an annual notice with the Internal Revenue Service. The report also recommended that the Internal Revenue Service should have the authority, "[a]fter an appropriate phase-in period, . . . to suspend the tax-exempt status of organizations that fail to file the required notification form for three consecutive years"; and

Whereas, the panel recommended the annual notice because it "... will assist the IRS in providing more accurate information to the public about organizations eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions"; and

Whereas, in 2006, Congress adopted the "Pension Protection Act of 26" (Act), which was based in part on the panel's recommendations; and

Whereas, section 1223 of the Act, codified at 2006 U.S.C. sec. 6033, created new and unfamiliar annual filing requirements for many small nonprofit organizations by requiring those organizations to annually file Form 990-N, also known as the e-Postcard; and

Whereas, the Act requires that an affected organization's tax-exempt status "be considered revoked" rather than "suspended" after failing to file the e-Postcard for three consecutive years; and

Whereas, although the Internal Revenue Service sent an initial mailing in 2007 and has since developed other resources to alert these affected nonprofit organizations of the new filing requirements, nonprofit organizations with outdated contact information with the Internal Revenue Service did not receive these notices, and many others were not sufficiently aware of how to comply with their new reporting duties; and

Whereas, based on some constituent conversations with Internal Revenue Service representatives and contrary to statements on the Internal Revenue Service's web site, the Internal Revenue Service does not send reminder notices to organizations that do not file their e-Postcards on time and only notifies affected organizations after such revocation has occurred; and

Whereas, approximately 400,000 nonprofit organizations across the United States, including thousands of organizations in Colorado, many of which have annual budgets of less than $25,000, have had their tax-exempt status automatically revoked by the Internal Revenue Service for failing to file an annual notice for three consecutive years. Although many of these organizations no longer do business, many other organizations continue to operate and could have successfully maintained their tax-exempt status if they had received more timely notice of the impending revocation; and

Whereas, although the Internal Revenue Service allows revoked organizations to apply for retroactive reinstatement of their tax-exempt status, the application process is burdensome and costly for these nonprofit organizations; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-eighth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein,

That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly, hereby memorialize the United States Congress to amend 26 U.S.C. sec. 6033 so that:

(1) The Internal Revenue Service is required to send timely notification to remind small nonprofit organizations when they have not filed the e-Postcard on time and to inform them of any impending revocation or other action affecting their tax-exempt status due to their failure to file an annual notice for three consecutive years; and

(2) The Internal Revenue Service is required to suspend, not revoke, the tax-exempt status of any nonprofit organization that fails to file for three consecutive years so that a nonprofit organization's tax-exempt status may be simply and retroactively restored without the organization being required to reapply for a determination of tax-exempt status; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this Joint Memorial be sent to each member of Colorado's congressional delegation, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives John Boehner, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, Secretary of the United States Senate Nancy Erickson, Clerk of the United States House of Representatives Karen L. Haas, and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner.

POM-114. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging the United States Congress to pass legislation for the fair and constitutional collection of state sales tax by both in-state and remote sellers; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Whereas, United States Supreme Court decisions in National Bellas Hess v. Department of Revenue, 386 U.S. 753 (1967) and Quill Corp. v. N.D., 504 U.S. 298 (1992), have ruled that the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution denies states the authority to require the collection of sales and use taxes by remote sellers that have no physical presence in the taxing state;

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court also declared in the Quill v. North Dakota decision that Congress could exercise its authority under the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution to decide "whether, when, and to what extent" the states may require sales and use tax collection on remote sales;

Whereas, states and localities that use sales and use taxes as a revenue source may not collect revenue from some portion of remote sales commerce;

Whereas, since 1999, various state legislators, governors, local elected officials, state tax administrators, and representatives of the private sector have worked together as a Streamlined Sales Tax Project and Governing Board to develop a streamlined sales and use tax system currently adopted in some form in 24 states;

Whereas, between 2001 and 2002, 40 states enacted legislation expressing their intent to simplify the states' sales and use tax collection systems, and to participate in discussions to allow for the collection of states' sales and use taxes;

Whereas, the actions of these states arguably provide some justification for Congress to enact legislation to allow states to require remote sellers to collect the states' sales and use tax;

Whereas, any federal legislation should be fair to both in-state and remote sellers, whether such legislation requires sales and use taxes to be collected on a point-of-sales or point-of-delivery basis;

Whereas, Congress, in considering federal legislation, should consider the following principles: 1) state-provided or state-certified tax collection and remittance software that is simple to implement and maintain; 2) immunity from civil liability for retailers utilizing state-provided or state-certified software in tax collection and remittance; 3) tax audit accountability to a single state tax audit authority; 4) elimination of interstate tax complexity by streamlining taxable good categories; 5) adoption of a meaningful small business exception so that small businesses

that sell remotely are not adversely affected by the legislation; and 6) fair compensation to the tax-collecting retailer;

Whereas, the Utah State Legislature and some of its sister legislatures in other states have acknowledged the complexities of the current sales and use tax system, have formulated varied alternative collection systems, and have shown the political will to make changes in their respective sales and use tax systems;

Whereas, the enactment of legislation by Congress and the President that allows states to require remote sellers to collect the states' sales and use taxes, will facilitate the states' ability to enforce their current laws for collecting sales and use taxes on remote sales;

Whereas, requiring remote sellers to collect the sales and use taxes may broaden Utah's sales tax base and potentially enable the Utah State Legislature to lower sales and use tax rates; and

Whereas, empowering states to collect sales and use taxes on in-state and remote sales is consistent with the 10th Amendment to the United States Constitution and is a states' rights issue: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Utah State Legislature urges the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate to pass, without delay, and the President of the United States to sign, federal legislation that provides for the fair and constitutional collection of state sales and use taxes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah urges that, in passing such legislation, Congress consider the following principles: 1) state-provided or state-certified tax collection and remittance software that is simple to implement and maintain; 2) immunity from civil liability for retailers utilizing state-provided or state-certified software in tax collection and remittance; 3) tax audit accountability to a single state tax audit authority; 4) elimination of interstate tax complexity by streamlining taxable good categories; 5) adoption of a meaningful small business exception so that small businesses that sell remotely are not adversely affected by the legislation; and 6) fair compensation to the tax-collecting retailer; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, recognizing that such legislation may not include all of these principles, declares that Congress's passage of the legislation will help create consistent standards for retailers forced to collect state sales and use taxes whether on a point-of-delivery basis or a point-of-sale basis, thus leveling the playing field between in-state and remote sellers; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be sent to the President of the United States, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-115. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah supporting Social Security reform measures; to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

Whereas, Social Security is the largest single item in the federal budget;

Whereas, in fiscal year 2011, the federal government spent $730 billion on Social Security, or 20% of the total $3.6 trillion federal budget;

Whereas, over the next 75 years, Social Security's unfunded liability is $6.5 trillion;

Whereas, Social Security has been running a deficit since 2010 and will be incurring annual deficits permanently unless the system is reformed;

Whereas, opponents of Social Security reform argue that Social Security has a $2.6 trillion trust fund that is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government, but these government bonds are simply obligations that the federal government owes itself, so redeeming these Treasury IOU's requires the federal government to cut spending elsewhere, raise taxes, issue more debt to the public, or monetize debt through the Federal Reserve;

Whereas, reform opponents have also falsely claimed that Social Security has not added a single penny to the deficit because Social Security is legally prohibited from deficit spending, but Social Security is now operating at a deficit on a cash basis;

Whereas, while reform opponents counter that the Social Security Trust Fund paid $118 billion in interest in 2010 and about $115 billion in interest in 2011, but these payments are not real money, but are accounting mechanisms that transfer phantom money from one government account to another;

Whereas, the Congressional Budget Office projects federal government non-interest spending to reach 25% of the Gross Domestic Product in 2035;

Whereas, including interest, federal spending will reach 34% of the Gross Domestic Product;

Whereas, since these levels are not sustainable, Congress must slow the growth in federal spending;

Whereas, Representative Jason Chaffetz has announced his proposals for Social Security reform that he plans to introduce as legislation in the United States Congress;

Whereas, the proposed reform implements longevity indexing by increasing normal retirement age from 67 for those born in 1960, to 68 for those born in 1966, and to 69 for those born in 1972;

Whereas, in years after 1972, the normal retirement age is increased one month every two years, while keeping early retirement age unchanged at 62;

Whereas, the proposed reform changes the cost of living allowance calculation from the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) to chained CPI-W which is a more accurate representation of inflation;

Whereas, the proposed reform adds an additional bend point at the 50th percentile for calculating the primary insurance amount;

Whereas, for workers with lifetime earnings above the 50th percentile, the primary insurance amount grows across generations by a combination of the CPI-W growth and average wage growth instead of just average wage growth;

Whereas, change begins for newly eligible retirees in 2016 and ends in 2055;

Whereas, the proposed reform increases the number of years from 35 to 40 that are included for calculation of Average Indexed monthly earnings by adding one additional computational year for those becoming eligible in 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, and 2020;

Whereas, the proposed reform indexes the special minimum benefit to wages instead of CPI beginning in 2012;

Whereas, in 2011, the special minimum benefits were $791 per month for 30 years of coverage and $394 per month for 20 years of coverage;

Whereas, the proposed reform allows for five years of child care to be included as creditable coverage if not already creditable;

Whereas, the proposed reform increases benefits by 5% for beneficiaries starting at age 85;

Whereas, the proposed reform implements an annual means test that reduces the benefit up to 50% for couples earning more than $360,000 in the most recent tax year;

Whereas, total Social Security benefits would continue to grow but at a slower rate, allowing the system to avoid insolvency;

Whereas, the vast majority of retirees, particularly those with average or below average lifetime earnings, would receive a larger check than they are getting today;

Whereas, some will actually receive an increase over what they would be getting without reform;

Whereas, using current benefits as a baseline and adjusting these benefits for inflation, middle and lower income retirees in future years will get essentially the same or better benefits than current retirees; and

Whereas, these measures must be taken very soon in order for the Social Security system to avoid an otherwise inevitable collapse: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah expresses support for the Social Security reform measures proposed by Congressman Jason Chaffetz, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Social Security Administration, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-116. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging the Obama Administration to support Taiwan's meaningful participation in the United Nations as an observer; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

Whereas, in May 2009, Taiwan's inclusion in the World Health Organization raised the possibility for Taiwan to be meaningfully involved in other United Nations' agencies, programs, and conventions;

Whereas, the Taipei Flight Information Region, under the jurisdiction of the Government of Taiwan, covers an airspace of 176,000 square nautical miles and provides air traffic control services to over 1,350,000 flights annually;

Whereas, Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport is recognized as the world's 8th largest airport by international cargo volume and number of international passengers;

Whereas, exclusion from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) since 1971 has impeded the efforts of the Government of Taiwan to maintain civil aviation practice that comports with evolving international standards due to its inability to contact the ICAO for up-to-date information on aviation standards and norms in a timely manner;

Whereas, the exclusion of Taiwan from the ICAO has prevented the ICAO from developing a truly global strategy to address security threats based on effective international cooperation; and

Whereas, ICAO rules and existing practices have allowed for the meaningful participation of noncontracting nations, as well as other bodies, in its meetings and activities by granting observer status: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah urges the Obama Administration to support Taiwan's meaningful participation as an observer in the United Nations' specialized agencies, programs, and conventions; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the president of the United States, the government of Taiwan, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-117. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Rhode Island urging the United States Congress to fully fund the Workforce Investment Act (WIA); to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2303

Whereas, The United States Congress is considering an appropriations bill that would significantly cut funding to federal workforce programs including the Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs authorized under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA); and

Whereas, WIA is the major funding source for the employment and training programs in the states, including education, placement, and business support services; and

Whereas, WIA appropriations help fund Rhode Island's comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers, local Workforce Investment Boards, contextualized training, innovative industry partnerships, and a myriad of other services designed to improve the skill level and work preparedness of Rhode Island's workforce; and

Whereas, Programs funded by WIA provide a valuable service to our business community by helping to provide a 21st century skilled workforce that is designed to meet the needs of Rhode Island employers who are struggling to recover from the recent recession; and

Whereas, Over the past two years, the Department of Labor and Training estimates that WIA programs have assisted over 33,600 Rhode Islanders in their efforts to obtain new skills and secure employment; and

Whereas, A significant reduction in federal WIA funding would devastate the workforce development system in Rhode Island, resulting in fewer training and retraining opportunities for unemployed job seekers, reducing funds for valuable on-the-job training, reducing funding for the state's Rapid Response layoff aversion program, reducing the number of work experience and career exploration programs for vulnerable at-risk youth, and hindering the development and enhancement of a workforce that can compete in the global economy: Now, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby strongly urges and implores Congress to fully fund the Workforce Investment Act, the cornerstone of the state workforce system that provides vital services to the unemployed, underemployed, and employers as they try to rebound from the recent recession; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to the Honorable Jack Reed and Sheldon Whitehouse, United States Senators, and to the Honorable James R. Langevin and David N. Cicilline, United States Representatives.

POM-118. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah recognizing pregnancy care centers and expressing support for their efforts on behalf of those facing unplanned pregnancies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

Whereas, the life-affirming impact of pregnancy care centers on the women, men, children, and communities they serve is considerable and growing;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers serve women in Utah and across the United States with integrity and compassion;

Whereas, more than 2,500 pregnancy care centers across the United States provide comprehensive care to women and men in relation to unplanned pregnancies, including resources to meet their physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual needs;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers offer women free, confidential, and compassionate services, including pregnancy tests, peer counseling, 24-hour telephone hotlines, childbirth and parenting classes, and referrals to community, health care, and other supportive services;

Whereas, many medical pregnancy care centers offer ultrasounds and other medical services;

Whereas, many pregnancy care centers provide information on adoption and adoption referrals to pregnant women;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers encourage women to make positive life choices by equipping them with complete and accurate information regarding their pregnancy options and the development of their unborn children;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers provide women with compassionate and confidential peer counseling in a nonjudgmental manner regardless of their pregnancy outcomes;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers provide important support and resources for women who choose childbirth over abortion;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers ensure that women are receiving prenatal information and services that lead to the birth of healthy infants;

Whereas, many pregnancy care centers provide grief assistance for women and men who regret the loss of their children from past choices they have made;

Whereas, many pregnancy care centers work to prevent unplanned pregnancies by teaching effective abstinence education in public schools;

Whereas, both federal and state governments are increasingly recognizing the valuable services of pregnancy care centers through the designation of public funds for such organizations;

Whereas, pregnancy care centers operate primarily through reliance on the voluntary donations and time of individuals who are

committed to caring for the needs of women and promoting and protecting life; and

Whereas, pregnancy care centers provide full disclosure, in both their advertisements and direct contact with women, of the types of services they provide: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah expresses strong support for pregnancy care centers for their unique, positive contributions to the individual lives of women, men, and babies—both born and unborn; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature recognizes the compassionate work of tens of thousands of volunteers and paid staff at pregnancy care centers in Utah and across the United States; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah strongly encourages the United States Congress and other federal and government agencies to grant pregnancy care centers assistance for medical equipment and abstinence education in a manner that does not compromise the mission or religious integrity of these organizations; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah expresses disapproval of the actions of any national, state, or local groups attempting to prevent pregnancy care centers from effectively serving women and men in relation to unplanned pregnancies; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to each pregnancy care center in Utah, the President of the United States, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-119. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging Congress to continue the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project and fund it so that the entire Navajo Nation may receive electricity; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project was created by the United States Congress and extended to provide funding for the rural electrification of homes on the Navajo Nation Reservation that are not currently being served;

Whereas, under the original law, Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project funding was authorized at an annual level of $15,000,000 for five years;

Whereas, to date, only $14,500,000, including a fiscal year 2011 allocation $1,750,000, has been appropriated to the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority out of the original congressional authorization of $75,000,000;

Whereas, the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project expands traditional sources of power and implements renewable energy sources and other advanced electric power technologies;

Whereas, the funds are funneled through the United States Department of Energy and disbursed as giants to the Navajo Nation to provide electricity to approximately 18,000 homes on the Navajo reservation that currently lack this basic service;

Whereas, the act also authorized the United States Department of Energy to provide technical support to the Navajo Nation in the use of advanced power technologies; and

Whereas, despite the passage of laws creating the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project, Congress must act to appropriate the funds in order for the money to be distributed to the project: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urges the United States Congress to reauthorize and continue the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor urge the United States Congress to fund the Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project to provide the necessary funding of $15,000,000 per year for five years, so that the basic necessity of electricity can become available to the entire Navajo Nation; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Navajo Nation, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-120. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging the United States Congress to quickly pass legislation to establish a new management structure to protect the ability of Utah Navajo residents in San Juan County to receive the benefit of Navajo Trust Fund money; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Whereas, the United States Congress, in 1933 and again in 1968, authorized the state of Utah to receive 37.5% of the royalties from the production of mineral leases on that portion of the Navajo Reservation in Utah, to be expended for the benefit of the Navajo residents of San Juan County, Utah;

Whereas, oil and gas was discovered in commercial quantities within the boundaries of the Utah portion of the Navajo Reservation in the mid-1950's, and production has continued until the current day;

Whereas, the state of Utah has managed the royalty receipts for the health, education, and welfare of Utah Navajos since that time;

Whereas, the state of Utah managed the funds for many years through a state governmental entity known as the Navajo Trust Fund (Fund);

Whereas, the state of Utah indicated its desire to resign as trustee of the fund in the 2008 General Session of the Utah Legislature in order to allow the Utah Navajo residents of San Juan County the ability to manage the royalty receipts themselves;

Whereas, the Navajo Trust Fund was repealed, effective June 30, 2008, and authority to manage the funds was transferred to the Department of Administrative Services, which created the Utah Navajo Royalties Holding Fund to manage expenditures until a successor management entity could be Congressionally-authorized;

Whereas, the Navajo Trust Fund was required to decline any further projects for approval after the statutorily created May 2008 cut-off date, except for applications for assisting new Navajo students with their secondary education expenses;

Whereas, the Utah Navajo Royalties Holding Fund has been winding down expenditures from the activities of the Navajo Trust Fund by completing projects authorized before the May 2008 cut-off date, and by assisting students;

Whereas, the authority to expend funds for any project authorized before the cut-off date in May 2008 expired January 1, 2012, except for new students, which authority expires at the end of June 2012;

Whereas, the Utah Navajo Royalties Holding Fund will begin the process of accounting for all assets of the Fund in preparation for an efficient transfer to the expected Congressionally-authorized successor management entity;

Whereas, the State of Utah desires to turn the funds over to a successor management entity as soon as feasible in order to allow the Navajo residents of Utah to manage the funds for their own benefit;

Whereas, Utah Navajos have a great need for expenditure of the royalty receipts for secondary education, housing, power lines, water lines, healthcare, and the creation of jobs, among other pressing needs;

Whereas, Utah's Congressional delegation has been asked to sponsor and advance legislation through the United States Congress designating a successor management entity; and

Whereas, this legislation has not advanced through Congress to this point, and action does not appear imminent: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urges the United States Congress to quickly pass legislation establishing a successor management structure that protects the ability of the Utah Navajo residents of San Juan

County to receive the benefit of Navajo Trust Fund money; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor urge the United States Congress to expedite the required transfer of assets so that Utah's Navajo residents may again receive the benefit of these funds; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Chair of the United States House of Representatives' Natural Resources Committee's Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native American Affairs, the Chair of the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-121. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah recognizing the remarkable courage and honor displayed by the men and women in law enforcement and the risks they take to keep their communities safe; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Whereas, on January 4, 2012, Agent Jared Daniel Francom of the Ogden Police Department, serving on the Weber-Morgan Narcotics Strike Force, was fatally wounded serving a search warrant on a residence in Ogden, Utah;

Whereas, Officer Michael Rounkles, Agent Kasey Burrell, and Agent Shawn Grogan of the Ogden Police Department were also wounded in the shooting;

Whereas, Agent Nate Hutchinson, a sergeant in the Weber County Sheriff's Office was also wounded in the shooting;

Whereas, Agent Jason Vanderwarf of the Roy Police Department was also injured in the shooting;

Whereas, the officers on the Weber-Morgan Narcotics Task Force acted quickly and bravely to subdue the suspect, preventing further injury and loss of life;

Whereas, Officer Michael Rounkles, responding to the scene in the course of his patrol duties, displayed incredible courage above and beyond the call of duty in his efforts to rescue and defend the agents of the Task Force who had come under fire;

Whereas, Agent Jared Daniel Francom served with the Ogden Police Department for eight years;

Whereas, Agent Jared Daniel Francom served his community with honor and distinction;

Whereas, Utah has come together to mourn and honor Agent Jared Daniel Francom, with an estimated 4,000 people attending his funeral on January 11, 2012, in Ogden, Utah; and

Whereas, the injury or loss of any police officer is a reminder of the risks taken by all the men and women of law enforcement on behalf of their communities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, recognizes and honors the sacrifice of Agent Jared Daniel Francom; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor extend their deepest condolences to the family and friends of Agent Jared Daniel Francom; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor express their wishes that Ogden Police Officers Michael Rounkles, Kasey Burrell, and Shawn Grogan will have a full and speedy recovery; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor express their wishes that Agent Nate Hutchinson, sergeant in the Weber County Sheriff's Office, and Roy Police Officer Agent Jason Vanderwarf will have a full and speedy recovery; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor recognize the remarkable courage and honor displayed by the men and women in law enforcement and the risks they take to keep their communities safe; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Agent Daniel Francom; to Ogden Police Officers Michael Rounkles, Kasey Burrell, and Shawn Grogan; to Agent Nate Hutchinson, sergeant in the Weber County Sheriff's Office; to Roy Police Officer Agent Jason Vanderwarf; to the Ogden City Police Department; to the Weber County Sheriff's Office; to the Roy Police Department; and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-122. A memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida urging Congress to propose to the states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that would limit the consecutive terms of office which a member of the United States Senate or the United States House of Representatives may serve; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 83

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States authorizes Congress to propose amendments to the Constitution which shall become valid when ratified by the states, and

Whereas, a continuous and growing concern has been expressed that the best interests of this nation will be served by limiting the terms of members of Congress, a concern expressed by the founding fathers, incorporated into the Articles of Confederation, attempted through legislation adopted by state legislatures, and documented in recent media polls: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida, That the Florida Legislature respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States to propose to the states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit the number of consecutive terms which a person may serve in the United States Senate or the United States House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-123. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Rhode Island memorializing the Congress of the United States to take immediate action to make the Republic of Poland eligible for the United States Department of State's Visa Waiver Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2063

Whereas, The Republic of Poland is a free, democratic, and independent nation; and

Whereas, The Republic of Poland is an integral member of the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and

Whereas, The Republic of Poland has been and continues to be a proven, indispensable, loyal friend and ally of the United States in the global campaign against terrorism in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere; and

Whereas, All citizens of the nations constituting the European Union enjoy travel to the United States visa-free as provided by the Visa Waiver Program of the United States Department of State, except for the citizens of Poland, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Malta, and Romania; and

Whereas, The state legislatures of Massachusetts (May 2004), New Jersey (October 2004), Vermont (January 2005), Pennsylvania (April 2005), Connecticut and Maine (May 2005), Nebraska, New York, and Ohio (June 2005), Michigan (June 2006), Arizona (April 2007). Illinois (October 2007), and Massachusetts again (July 2010) passed Visa Waiver for Poland Resolutions in response to their American citizens of Polish decent; and

Whereas, Among the nearly ten million Americans of Polish descent in the nation, the 46,707 Americans of Polish descent in Rhode Island also are disappointed and dismayed that Poland, the nation that provided America with the services of Thaddeus Kosciuszko, who engineered the victory at Saratoga and designed the fortifications at West Point and Casimir Pulaski, the "father of the United States Calvary" during our "Glorious Cause" in the War for Independence from Great Britain, is currently excluded from our nation's Visa Waiver Program; Now, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

hereby respectfully urges the Congress and the President of the United States to take immediate action to make the Republic of Poland eligible for the United States Department of State's Visa Waiver Program; and be it further

Resolved, The Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the clerk of House of Representatives, the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of State, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Presiding Officers of each chamber of the United States Congress, the members of the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation, and to His Excellency Robert Kupiecki, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the United States.

POM-124. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah expressing support for the establishment of a fund for the assistance of families of fallen police officers in Utah; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Whereas, the Utah 1033 Foundation is named for the police radio code for an officer in trouble;

Whereas, this non-profit foundation was established with private donations and is sustained through a combination of continuing donations, corporate donors, institutional grant funding, and fundraising events;

Whereas, the primary purpose of the 1033 Foundation is to help the families of slain police officers in Utah;

Whereas, the day after the death of a police officer in the line of duty, someone from the Foundation will visit the widow or widower and deliver a $25,000 check;

Whereas, eventually, the Foundation hopes to have an endowment to provide college scholarships for the children of living and deceased Utah police officers;

Whereas, it is also hoped that in the future it will be possible to extend the Foundation's service to include the families of fallen firefighters;

Whereas, the fund began as an idea of Tore and Mona Steen, residents of Park City;

Whereas, a native of Norway, Tore received a scholarship after serving in that nation's air force and moved to the United States to attend college;

Whereas, Tore enjoyed great success in the banking and financial industries, and while living in New York, he was involved in advisory capacities with the departments of police, corrections, and housing;

Whereas, as a result of these experiences, and after being invited to ride with two New York City police officers who were called to a domestic dispute, Tore realized, in a small but very real and personal way, what dangers police officers can face every day;

Whereas, many years later, the husband of Mona's daughter's former college roommate, a Colorado Springs police detective, was slain while trying to apprehend a suspect wanted for attempted murder;

Whereas, these brushes with the tragedy and devastation brought to the families of officers killed in the line of duty drove the Steens to form the 1033 Foundation;

Whereas, their efforts continue with the help of many others, including Wade Carpenter, Park City Police Chief; the Law Firm of Van Cott, Bagley, Cornwall & McCarthy, P.C.; and Zions Bank;

Whereas, the 1033 Foundation has made it easy for individuals and organizations to donate to the fund by going to utah1033.org; and

Whereas, by providing financial and, eventually, scholarship assistance, the 1033 Foundation hopes to provide a means to lift some of the crushing burdens upon the families of Utah's police officers killed in the line of duty: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, expresses support for the efforts of the 1033 Foundation to assist the families of fallen police officers in Utah in their moments of greatest need; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor express appreciation to Tore and Mona Steen, who saw a need and became personally invested in serving the families of slain police officers in Utah, and wish them well in their continuing efforts to serve the citizens of Utah; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature and the Governor express appreciation to those who have participated in the efforts of the 1033 Foundation and made donations to help those in need; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Tore and Mona Steen; Park City Police Chief Wade Carpenter; the Law Firm of Van Cott, Bagley, Cornwall & McCarthy; Zions Bank President Scott Anderson; Park City Mayor Dana Williams; Summit County Sheriff Dave Edmunds; KPMG Salt Lake City; Utah Department of Public Safety Director Lance Davenport; Colonel Danny Fuhr of the Utah Highway Patrol; the Utah Chiefs of Police Association; the Utah Sheriffs Association; the Utah Peace Officers Association; the Utah Highway Patrol; Utah Fraternal Order of Police; Howard Wallack; and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-125. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California calling on the United States Congress to pass the Violence Against Women Act of 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Whereas, The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) was developed with the input of advocates from around the country and from all walks of life, and addresses the real and most important needs of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. VAWA is responsive, streamlined, and constitutionally and fiscally sound, while providing strong accountability measures and appropriate federal government oversight; and

Whereas, VAWA represents the voices of women and their families, and the voices of victims, survivors, and advocates; and

Whereas, VAWA was first enacted in 1994, and has been the centerpiece of the federal government's efforts to stamp out domestic and sexual violence. Critical programs authorized under VAWA include support for victim services, transitional housing, and legal assistance; and

Whereas, Domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking, once considered private matters to be dealt with behind closed doors, have been brought out of the darkness; and

Whereas, VAWA has been successful because it has had consistently strong, bipartisan support for nearly two decades; and

Whereas, The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2011 will provide a five-year reauthorization for VAWA programs, and reduce authorized funding levels by more than $144 million, or 19 percent, from the law's 2005 authorization; and

Whereas, While annual rates of domestic violence have dropped more than 50 percent, domestic violence remains a serious issue. Every day in the United States, three women are killed by abusive husbands and partners. In California in 2010, there were 166,361 domestic violence calls, including more than 65,000 that involved a weapon; and

Whereas, The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2011 includes several updates and improvements to the law, including the following:

(a) An emphasis on the need to effectively respond to sexual assault crime by adding new purpose areas and a 25 percent set-aside in the STOP (Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP Program) and the Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program.

(b) Improvements in tools to prevent domestic violence homicides by training law enforcement, victim service providers, and court personnel to identify and manage high-risk offenders and connecting high-risk victims to crisis intervention services.

(c) Improvements in responses to the high rate of violence against women in tribal communities by strengthening concurrent

tribal criminal jurisdiction over perpetrators who assault Indian spouses and dating partners in Indian countries.

(d) Measures to strengthen housing protections for victims by applying existing housing protections to nine additional federal housing programs.

(e) Measures to promote accountability to ensure that federal funds are used for their intended purposes.

(f) Consolidation of programs and reductions in authorization levels to address fiscal concerns, and renewed focus on programs that have been most successful.

(g) Technical corrections to update definitions throughout the law to provide uniformity and continuity; and

Whereas, There is a need to maintain services for victims and families at the local, state, and federal levels. Reauthorization would allow existing programs to continue uninterrupted, and would provide for the development of new initiatives to address key areas of concern. These initiatives include the following:

(a) Addressing the high rates of domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault among women 16 to 24 years of age, inclusive, by combating tolerant youth attitudes toward violence.

(b) Improving the response to sexual assault with best practices, training, and communication tools for law enforcement, as well as health care and legal professionals.

(c) Preventing domestic violence homicides through enhanced training for law enforcement, advocates, and others who interact with those at risk. A growing number, of experts agree that these homicides are predictable, and therefore preventable, if we know the warning signs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and the Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature calls on the United States Congress to pass the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2011, Senate Bill No. 1925 authored by Senators Leahy and Crapo, and ensure the sustainability of vital programs designed to keep women and families safe from violence and abuse; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the Senate, each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the author for appropriate distribution.

POM-126. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to prevent the retirement of A-10 aircraft assigned to the 917th Fighter Group, based at Barksdale Air Force Base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 115

Whereas, established in 1932, the Barksdale Air Force Base (AFB), a United States Air Force Base located approximately 4.72 miles east-southeast of Bossier City, Louisiana, is named for World War I aviator and test pilot 2nd Lieutenant Eugene Hoy Barksdale (1896-1926); and

Whereas, Barksdale Air Force Base has proudly served Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas for more than sixty-seven years and is home to the 2d Bomb Wing, 2d Mission Support Group, 2d Operations Group, 2d Maintenance Group, the 2d Medical Group, 8th Air Force Museum, and the Air Force Reserve's 917th Wing; and

Whereas, in December 1999, the 917th Wing received the Air Force outstanding Unit Award, for winning the Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award and Secretary of Defense Award for Self-Inspection Tracking System. The award noted the unit's sponsorship of the Starbase program, which creates interest for local children in math, science, and technology by using an aviation theme; and

Whereas, Barksdale Air Force Base has grown into a major source of revenue and employment for the region by providing jobs for nearly ten thousand military and civilian employees and in 2006, under Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC), the 917th Wing gained eight A-10 aircraft and a number of full-time and part-time employment positions; and

Whereas, as part of a wide-ranging plan to reduce its total aircraft inventory, the Obama administration intends to propose in the 2013 budget request, the elimination of twenty-four A-10 aircraft that comprise the Air Force Reserve's 917th Fighter Group at Barksdale Air Force Base; and

Whereas, the Air Force plans to rebalance its overall ratio of regular, reserve, and Air National Guard forces at about sixty installations in thirty-three states and retire two hundred twenty-seven aircraft to support a new defense strategy known as the "Air Force Strategy and Structure Overview"; and

Whereas, for nearly eighty years the 917th Wing at Barksdale Air Force Base and the Shreveport-Bossier community have enjoyed a strong partnership, which provides jobs to the community and programs for the local children, and the elimination of the A-10 aircraft will have an adverse effect on not only the economy but the community as well. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize congress to take such actions as are necessary to oppose the elimination of A-10 aircraft assigned to the 917th Fighter Group, based at Barksdale Air Force Base; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Presiding Officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

POM-127. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California urging the United States Congress to immediately enact the Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18

Whereas, Many families are searching for a way to plan for the future of a child with developmental disabilities, which are costly to society and to families; and

Whereas, The Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2011 (ABLE Act), proposed in H.R. 3423 and S. 1872 and currently debated by Congress, would create disability savings accounts for individuals with developmental or other disabilities and their families, as a way to save for future needs with funds that could accrue interest tax free; and

Whereas, The ABLE Act would give individuals with developmental or other disabilities and their families an option for saving for their future financial needs in a way that supports their unique situation and makes it more feasible to live full and productive lives in their communities; and

Whereas, While many families are currently able to save for the educational needs of children through "529" college tuition plans, these plans do not fit the needs of children with developmental or other disabilities; and

Whereas, Many families recognize that loved ones with developmental or other disabilities may live for many decades beyond the ability of the parents or other family members to provide financial assistance and support; and

Whereas, Many families also want to ensure the financial security of family members who have the level of disability required for Medicaid eligibility, but for now, are managing to function without the use of those benefits and state resources; and

Whereas, The ABLE Act would create a savings fund for those with developmental or other disabilities that could be drawn upon for a variety of essential expenses, including medical and dental care, education and employment training and support, assistive technology, housing and transportation, personal support services, and other expenses for life necessities; and

Whereas, Savings accounts opened under the ABLE Act would provide substantial flexibility to meet the specific needs of the individual, with a broad array of allowable expenses and no age limitations so that these

funds can be used whenever they are needed; and

Whereas, The flexibility in expenses would also allow families to save with confidence even though they cannot always predict how independent their child will become: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and the Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature urges the President and the Congress of the United States to immediately enact the Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2011 (ABLE Act); and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the President pro Tempore of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the author for appropriate distribution.

POM-128. A resolution adopted by the Odessa Chamber of Commerce, Odessa, Texas, in support of retaining top foreign students earning degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) from American Universities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3430. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. 3431. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to more effectively regulate anabolic steroids; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. COBURN):

S. 3432. A bill to prevent identity theft and tax fraud; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3433. A bill to require a radio spectrum inventory of bands managed by the Federal Communications Commission and the National Telecommunications & Information Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COATS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BURR, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. 3434. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide for automatic continuing resolutions; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3435. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3436. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to improve the quality of infant and toddler care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3437. A bill to amend the Natural Gas Act to provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. WEBB, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3438. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to implement the Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program: 2012-2017 and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development in the United States for a more secure energy future, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3439. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to direct the Administrator of General Services to install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in all Federal buildings in order to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity by offloading wireless traffic onto wireline broadband networks; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3440. A bill to extend estate and gift tax rules for 1 year; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3441. A bill to provide for the transfer of excess Department of Defense aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3442. A bill to provide tax incentives for small businesses, improve programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3443. A bill to improve compliance with mine and occupational safety and health laws, empower workers to raise safety concerns, prevent future mine and other workplace tragedies, and establish rights of families of victims of workplace accidents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following concurrent resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

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

S. Con. Res. 54. A concurrent resolution stating that it is the policy of the United States to oppose the sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by the Russian Federation to or for the Syrian Arab Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 881

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 881, a bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes.

S. 1215

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1215, a bill to provide for the exchange of land located in the Lowell National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

S. 1258

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1258, a bill to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, and for other purposes.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1685

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1685, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow rehabilitation expenditures for public school buildings to qualify for rehabilitation credit.

S. 1728

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1728, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 1935

At the request of Mr. REID, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, supra.

S. 2172

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 2205

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2205, a bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens.

S. 2215

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2215, a bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes.

S. 2297

At the request of Mr. MANCHIN, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2297, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug.

S. 2342

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2342, a bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER], the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN], the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. DEMINT], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3244

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3244, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory.

S. 3313

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3313, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes.

S. 3381

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3381, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information

provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3395

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3395, a bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs.

S. 3397

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3397, a bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes.

S. 3409

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3409, a bill to address the forest health, public safety, and wildlife habitat threat presented by the risk of wildfire, including catastrophic wildfire, on National Forest System land and public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management by requiring the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to expedite forest management projects relating to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development, and for other purposes.

S. 3428

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3428, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low.

S. 3429

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3429, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 525

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 525, a resolution honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinas.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BEGICH,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "The International Space Station: a Platform for Research, Collaboration, and Discovery."

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Short-Supply Prescription Drugs: Shining a Light on the Gray Market."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Education Tax Incentives and Tax Reform."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 3 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled "Economic Statecraft: Increasing American Jobs Through Greater U.S.-Africa Trade and Investment (S. 2215, The Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act of 2012)."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 25, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Ensuring Judicial Independence Through Civics Education."

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Enhancing Women's Retirement Security."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, FEDERAL SERVICES, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 25, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Assessing Grants Management Practices at Federal Agencies."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:26 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4157. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from reissuing or issuing a rule substantially similar to a certain proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.

At 7:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1335. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 4157. To prohibit the Secretary of Labor from reissuing or issuing a rule substantially similar to a certain proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

PROVIDING FOR THE RELIEF OF SOPURUCHI CHUKWUEKE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 285) for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

The reported amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SEQUESTRATION TRANSPARENCY ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 5872) to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 7:07 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2012

Mr. MICHAEL F. BENNET, from the State of Colorado, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend John Fuller, Senior Pastor of Prairie Lakes Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa, offered a prayer, and Mr. BENNET led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL F. BENNET, a Senator from the State of Colorado, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BENNET took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3326

Mr. COBURN asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3326) to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be proposed by him, and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that, when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives for concurrence its companion bill, the Senate proceed to its consideration; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 3326, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that, following the reading of the PAYGO statement of the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget, the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. BAUCUS objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 3:22 p.m. on today, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Wednesday, July 25, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, July 25, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 84, nays... 11

[Rollcall Vote No. 185 Leg.]

YEAS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 11

Barrasso, Baucus, Enzi, Heller, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Moran, Paul, Roberts, Rubio, Tester.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 9

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 9) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of section 3 of bill H.R. 3326 be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

Mr. BAUCUS objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Carol J. Galante, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that the nomination receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be confirmed; that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate resume its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, July 26, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1335. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-6935. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9354-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6936. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on a Certain Chemical Substance; Removal of Significant New Use Rules" (FRL No. 9356-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6937. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Removal of Administrative Requirements from the Regulation for the Control of Motor Vehicle Emissions in Northern Virginia" (FRL No. 9702-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6938. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Wisconsin; Redesignation of the Milwaukee-Racine Area to Attainment for 1997 8-hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9702-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6939. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing Regulations" (FRL No. 9702-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6940. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9699-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6941. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Receipts-Based, Small Business Size Standard" (RIN3150-AJ14), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6942. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the C-111 Spreader Canal Western project in Miami-Dade County, Florida; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6943. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Corrections" (RIN3150-AJ16), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6944. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Communication with Transport Vehicles" (Regulatory Guide 5.32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6945. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Issuing Final Guidance That Issues a New Branch Technical Position BTP 8-8 - (Emergency Diesel Generators) and Off Site Power Sources Allowed Outage Time Extensions" (Publication of Revision 4 to SRP Section 8.1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6946. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Under Section 367(d) applicable to certain outbound asset reorganizations" (Notice 2012-39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6947. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Economic Development Bonds" (Notice 2012-48), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6948. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report on the continued compliance of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan with the 1974 Trade Act's freedom of emigration provisions, as required under the Jackson-Vanik Amendment; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6949. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Year in Trade 2011"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6950. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2990); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6951. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2917); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6952. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-080); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6953. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-084); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6954. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-078); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6955. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-038); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6956. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-048); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6957. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-086); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6958. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-049); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6959. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-068); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6960. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-065); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6961. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Polymers" (Docket No. FDA-2012-F-0031), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6962. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6963. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Introduction" (FAC 2005-60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6964. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments" (FAC 2005-60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6965. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; DARPA-New Mexico Tax Agreement" ((RIN9000-AM290)(FAC 2005-60)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6966. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Clarification of Standards for Computer Generation of Forms" ((RIN9000-AM15)-(FAC 2005-60)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6967. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Extension of Sunset Date for Protests of Task and Delivery Orders" ((RIN9000-AM26)-(FAC 2005-60)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6968. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Payments Under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts" ((RIN9000-AM01)-(FAC 2005-60)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6969. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards" ((RIN9000-AL66)(FAC 2005-60)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6970. A communication from the Presiding Governor of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6971. A communication from the Executive Director, United States Access Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6972. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Justice's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6973. A communication from the Director, Office of Diversity Management and Equal Opportunity, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a compilation of fiscal year 2012 reports from the Department of Defense Components relative to the implementation of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6974. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the activities performed by the agency that are not inherently governmental functions; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6975. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, U.S. Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report and the Postal Service management response to the report for the period of October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6976. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's 2012 Annual Performance Plan; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6977. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Sufficiency Certification for the Washington Convention and Sports Authority's (Trading as Events DC) Projected Revenues and Excess Reserve to Meet Projected Operating and Debt Service Expenditures and Reserve Requirements for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6978. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Fiscal Year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6979. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, transmitting an opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6980. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report of the Review Panel on Prison Rape; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6981. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice for Trials before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board and Judicial Review of Patent Trial and Appeal Board Decisions" (RIN0651-AC70), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6982. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement the Inventor's Oath or Declaration Provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act" (RIN0651-AC68), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6983. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transitional Program for Covered Business Method Patents - Definitions of Covered Business Method Patent and Technological Invention" (RIN0651-AC75), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6984. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement the Supplemental Examination Provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and to Revise Reexamination Fees" (RIN0651-AC69), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6985. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Inter Partes Review Proceedings, Post-Grant Review Proceedings, and Transitional Program for Covered Business Methods Patents" (RIN0651-AC71), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 23, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6986. A communication from the Librarian of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the activities of the Library of Congress for fiscal year 2011;

to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-6987. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Financial Assistance, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "7(a) Loan Program; Eligible Passive Companies" (RIN3245-AG48), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6988. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Investment and Innovation, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Investment Companies - Early Stage SBICs" (RIN3245-AG32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6989. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Investment and Innovation, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Investment Companies - Energy Saving Qualified Investments" (RIN3245-AF86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6990. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Investment and Innovation, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Investment Companies - Conflicts of Interest and Investment of Idle Funds" (RIN3245-AF56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6991. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Titanium Dioxide; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9354-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6992. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyrimethanil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9354-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6993. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acetamiprid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9352-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6994. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred in the Maritime Administration's (MARAD) Operations and Training account (69 1750); to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6995. A communication from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of four (4) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral and rear admiral (lower half) as indicated, as indicated, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6996. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defining Larger Participants of the Consumer Reporting Market" ((RIN3170-AA00)(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0005)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6997. A communication from the Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Confidential Treatment of Privileged Information" ((RIN3170-AA20)-(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0010)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6998. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6999. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Section 322(k) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7000. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Financial Stability Oversight Council's study of the feasibility, benefits, costs, and structure of a contingent capital requirement for nonbank financial companies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7001. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Financial Stability Oversight Council's annual report to Congress on the activities of the Council; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7002. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Management Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7003. A communication from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3444. A bill to require that textile and apparel articles acquired for use by executive agencies be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VITTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BURR, Mr. HELLER, Mr. RISCH, Mr. COATS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. KYL, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 3445. A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, to provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas exploration, development, and production under oil and gas leases of Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 3446. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to halt the premature proposed listing of 4 central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement, and to take into account extensive ongoing State and local conservation efforts; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3447. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to permit access to certain disability benefits without penalty; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3448. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 3449. A bill to prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until the People's Republic of China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COATS (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. LEE, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. HATCH, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BURR, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. 3450. A bill to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3451. A bill to exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3452. A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish a national usury rate for consumer credit transactions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3453. A bill to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 529. A resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. KOHL, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. PRYOR, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. Res. 530. A resolution designating the month of August 2012 as "National Registered Apprenticeship Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. Res. 531. A resolution commemorating the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and supporting Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 532. A resolution expressing support for the XIX International AIDS Conference and the sense of the Senate that continued commitment by the United States to HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs is crucial to protecting global health; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 195

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 195, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program.

S. 1299

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1299, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2055

At the request of Mr. SHELBY, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 2055, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to the protection of certain information.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2094

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2094, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to update a program to provide assistance for the planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, or treat municipal combined sewer overflows and sanitary

sewer overflows, and to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to update certain guidance used to develop and determine the financial capability of communities to implement clean water infrastructure programs.

S. 2268

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2268, a bill to ensure that all items offered for sale in any gift shop of the National Park Service or of the National Archives and Records Administration are produced in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2472

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2472, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3326

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3326, a bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

S. 3428

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3428, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low.

S. 3436

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3436, a bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to improve the quality of infant and toddler care.

S. 3442

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3442, a bill to provide tax incentives for small businesses, improve programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE RESOLUTION 176

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 176, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The Financial Stability Oversight Council Annual Report to Congress."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "CCDBG Reauthorization: Helping to Meet the Child Care Needs of American Families" on July 26, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Regulation of Tribal Gaming: From Brick & Mortar to the Internet."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 26, 2012 at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on July 26, 2012 at 1 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on nominations.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 26, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore announced that on today, July 26, 2012, he had signed the following enrolled bill, previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House:

S. 1335. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.

At 1:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 459. An act to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6082. An act to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review

period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012-2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes.

At 6:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 134. Concurrent resolution condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the heinous atrocities that occurred in Aurora, Colorado.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5872. An act to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 1959

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 1959) to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization, and for other purposes.

On motion by Mr. SCHUMER,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the bill.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CENTURY OF SERVICE COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 1299) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THAT THE OCCURRENCE OF PROSTATE CANCER IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEN HAS REACHED EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 529) recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men, submitted today by Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. CARDIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP MONTH"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 530) designating the month of August 2012 as "National Registered Apprenticeship Month", submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. KOHL, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. PRYOR, and Ms. CANTWELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE SUCCESS OF TEAM USA IN THE PAST 25 OLYMPIC GAMES AND SUPPORTING TEAM USA IN THE 2012 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 531) commemorating the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and supporting Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, submitted today by Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. MERKLEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE XIX INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 532) expressing support for the XIX International AIDS Conference and the sense of the Senate that continued commitment by the United States to HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs is crucial to protecting global health, submitted today by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. KOHL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE PRINTING OF THE 25TH EDITION OF THE POCKET VERSION OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Administration be discharged from the further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 90) authorizing the printing of the 25th edition of the pocket version of the United States Constitution.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 133) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol for an event to present the Congressional Gold Medal to Arnold Palmer, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Monday, July 23, 2012, and remaining undisposed of.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING THE SHOOTING IN AURORA, COLORADO

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 134) condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the heinous atrocities that occurred in Aurora, Colorado, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6082) to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012-2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. SCHUMER asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SCHUMER objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 30, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 30, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, at 4:30 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Robert E. Bacharach, of Oklahoma, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the leaders, or their designees, thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the nomination; that if said motion is not agreed to, the Senate resume its legislative session; and that the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414 then be agreed to.

Ordered further, That, if said motion to bring to close debate is agreed to, and upon disposition of said nomination, the Senate resume its legislation session; and that the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414 be agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

At 7 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 30, 2012.

MONDAY, JULY 30, 2012

Mr. MARK R. WARNER, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WARNER led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 30, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK R. WARNER, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WARNER took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill having been agreed to on Thursday, July 26, 2012,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6082) to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012-2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, July 30, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3414

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3414.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012,

The motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

CYBERSECURITY ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7004. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Distribution of Byproduct Material" ((RIN3150-AH91)(NRC-2008-0338)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7005. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2012-08: Developing Inservice Testing and Inservice Inspection Programs Under 10 CFR Part 52" (RIS 2012-08), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7006. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; South Carolina 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9705-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7007. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee: Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9704-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7008. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Method 16C for the Determination of Total Reduced Sulfur Emissions From Stationary Sources" (FRL No. 9701-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7009. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Florida; Sections 128 and 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9705-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7010. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulation for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations: Removal of Vacated Elements in Response to the 2011 Decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit" (FRL No. 9705-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7011. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Iron and Steel Production Installations; Sintering Plants" (FRL No. 9702-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7012. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Locks and Dam 52 and 53 Replacement Project (Olmsted Locks and Dam), Illinois and Kentucky; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7013. A communication from the United States Trade Representative,

Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report relative to the inclusion of Canada in the ongoing negotiations of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7014. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reallocation of Section 48A Credits under the Qualifying Advanced Coal Project Program" (Notice 2012-51), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7015. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - August 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-21), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7016. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expedited Vocational Assessment Under the Sequential Evaluation Process" (RIN0960-AH26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7017. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Regarding Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amounts to Medicare Beneficiaries' Prescription Drug Coverage Premiums" (RIN0960-AH22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7018. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2013" (CMS-1434-N), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7019. A communication from the Acting Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's (OIG) strategic plan for 2012-2016; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7020. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7021. A communication from the Chief Human Capital Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7022. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-397, "Saving D.C. Homes from Foreclosure Enhanced Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7023. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-396, "Fiscal Year 2012 Second Revised Budget Request Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7024. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-398, "Social E-Commerce Job Creation Tax Incentive Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, from the Select Committee on Intelligence, without amendment:

S. 3454. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-192).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN:

S. 3454. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; from the Select Committee on Intelligence; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 3455. A bill to require the establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 3456. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 3457. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3458. A bill to require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. KOHL):

S. Res. 533. A resolution designating October 2012 as "National Work and Family Month"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 33

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 33, a bill to designate a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness.

S. 438

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 438, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve women's health by prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women.

S. 534

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 534, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer

produced domestically by certain small producers.

S. 752

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 752, a bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 1755

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1755, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, supra.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 1979

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1979, a bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2010

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2010, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 2264

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2264, a bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, supra.

S. 2472

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2472, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders.

S. 3085

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3085, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] and the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3344

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3344, a bill to increase immunization rates.

S. 3354

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3354, a bill to authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3383

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3383, a bill to reject the final 5-year Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program for fiscal years 2012 through 2017 of the Administration and replace the plan with a 5-year plan that is more in line with the energy and economic needs of the United States.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3430

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3430, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes.

S. 3450

At the request of Mr. COATS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3450, a bill to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977.

S. 3451

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3451, a bill to exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air.

S. 3453

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3453, a bill to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 525

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 525, a resolution honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinas.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:28 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4078. An act to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL WORK AND FAMILY MONTH"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 533) designating October 2012 as "National Work and Family Month", submitted today by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. KOHL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4078) to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first hour therein, and the minority control the second hour therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:51 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, July 31, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4078) to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

Pending debate,

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

CYBERSECURITY ACT

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the order of yesterday, time for only debate on the pending bill continue until 5 p.m.; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

The question being on passage of the bill.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:37 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

CYBERSECURITY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3414.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CARPER) to amend the bill on page 20, by striking all beginning on line 3 through line 10, on page 42, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2731).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. FRANKEN) to amend the pending amendment, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2732).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to stricken by amendment No. 2731 on page 20, line 5, by striking "180 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "170 days" (being amendment No. 2733).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "170" and inserting in lieu thereof "160" (being amendment No. 2734).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on pending bill S. 3414; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3414.

HARRY REID, JOE LIEBERMAN, B. A. MIKULSKI, TOM CARPER, DICK DURBIN, CHRIS COONS, MARK UDALL, BEN NELSON, JEANNE SHAHEEN, TOM UDALL, D. K. INOUYE, CARL LEVIN, JAY ROCKEFELLER, CHUCK SCHUMER, S. WHITEHOUSE, JOHN KERRY, MICHAEL F. BENNET.

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs with instructions to report back forth with an amendment Numbered 2735.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2735) contained in the pending motion by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2736).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2737).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2737 to amendment No. 2736 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2735) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with instructions.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3429

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3429) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

REPORT RELATIVE TO THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN -- PM 60

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995.

In Executive Order 12957, the President found that the actions and policies of the Government of Iran threaten the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. To deal with that threat, the

President in Executive Order 12957 declared a national emergency and imposed prohibitions on certain transactions with respect to the development of Iranian petroleum resources. To further respond to that threat, Executive Order 12959 of May 6, 1995, imposed comprehensive trade and financial sanctions on Iran. Executive Order 13059 of August 19, 1997, consolidated and clarified the previous orders. To take additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 and to implement section 105(a) of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-195) (22 U.S.C. 8501 *et seq.*) (CISADA), I issued Executive Order ~13553 on September 28, 2010, to impose sanctions on officials of the Government of Iran and other persons acting on behalf of the Government of Iran determined to be responsible for or complicit in certain serious human rights abuses. To take further additional steps with respect to the threat posed by Iran and to provide implementing authority for a number of the sanctions set forth in the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-172) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note) (ISA), as amended by CISADA, I issued Executive Order 13574 on May 23, 2011, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to implement certain sanctions imposed by the Secretary of State pursuant to ISA, as amended by CISADA. I also issued Executive Order 13590 on November 20, 2011, to take additional steps with respect to this emergency by authorizing the Secretary of State to impose sanctions on persons providing certain goods, services, technology, or support that contribute either to Iran's development of petroleum resources or to Iran's production of petrochemicals, and to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to implement some of those sanctions. On February 5, 2012, in order to take further additional steps pursuant to this emergency, and to implement section 1245(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112-81), I issued Executive Order 13599 blocking the property of the Government of Iran, all Iranian financial institutions, and persons determined to be owned or controlled by, or acting for or on behalf of, such parties. Most recently, on April 22, 2012, and May 1, 2012, I issued Executive Orders 13606 and 13608, respectively. Executive Orders 13606 and 13608 each take additional steps with respect to various emergencies, including the emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 concerning Iran, to address the use of computer and information technology to commit serious human rights abuses and efforts by foreign persons to evade sanctions.

The order takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957, particularly in light of the Government of Iran's use of revenues from petroleum, petroleum products, and petrochemicals for illicit purposes; Iran's continued attempts to evade international sanctions through deceptive practices; and the unacceptable risk posed to the international financial system by Iran's activities. Subject to certain exceptions and conditions, the order authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State, as set forth in the order, to impose sanctions on persons as described in the order, all as more fully described below.

Section 1 of the order authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to impose financial sanctions on foreign financial institutions determined to have knowingly conducted or facilitated certain significant financial transactions with the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) or Naftiran Intertrade Company (NICO), or for the purchase or acquisition of petroleum, petroleum products, or petrochemical products from Iran.

Section 2 of the order authorizes the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, and the United States Trade Representative, and with the President of the Export-Import Bank, the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and other agencies and officials as appropriate, to impose any of a number of sanctions on a person upon determining that the person: knowingly engaged in a significant transaction for the purchase or acquisition of petroleum, petroleum products, or petrochemical products from Iran; is a successor entity to a person determined to meet the criterion above; owns or controls a person determined to meet the criterion above, and had knowledge that the person engaged in the activities referred to therein; or is owned or controlled by, or under common ownership or control with, a person determined to meet the criterion above, and knowingly participated in the activities referred to therein.

Sections 3 and 4 of the order provide that, for persons determined to meet any of the criteria specified in section 2 of the order, the heads of the relevant agencies, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall implement the sanctions imposed by the Secretary of State. The sanctions provided for in sections 3 and 4 of the order include the following actions: the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank shall deny approval of the issuance of any guarantee, insurance, extension of credit, or participation in an extension of credit in connection with the export of any goods or services to the sanctioned person; agencies shall not issue any specific license or grant any other specific permission or authority under any statute that requires the prior review and approval of the United States Government as a condition for the export or reexport of goods or technology to the sanctioned person; for a sanctioned person that is a financial institution: the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York shall take such actions as they deem appropriate, including denying designation, or terminating the continuation of any prior designation of, the sanctioned person as a primary dealer in United States Government debt instruments; or agencies shall prevent the sanctioned person from serving as an agent of the United States Government or serving as a repository for United States Government funds; agencies shall not procure, or enter into a contract for the procurement of, any goods or services from the sanctioned person; the Secretary of the Treasury shall take actions where necessary to: prohibit any United States financial institution from making loans or providing credits to the sanctioned person totaling more than $10,000,000 in any 12-month period unless such person is engaged in activities to relieve human suffering and the loans or credits are provided for such activities; prohibit any transactions in foreign exchange that are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and in which the sanctioned person has any interest; prohibit any transfers of credit or payments between financial institutions or by, through, or to any financial institution, to the extent that such transfers or payments are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and involve any interest of the sanctioned person; block all property and interests in property that are in the United States, that come within the United States, or that are or come within the possession or control of any United States person, including any foreign branch, of the sanctioned person, and provide that such property and interests in property may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in; or restrict or prohibit imports of goods, technology, or services, directly or indirectly, into the United States from the sanctioned person.

Section 5 of the order authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to block all property and interests in property that are in the United States, that come within the United States, or that are or come within the possession or control of any United States person, including any foreign branch, of any person upon determining that the person has materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services in support of, NIOC, NICO, or the Central Bank of Iran, or the purchase or acquisition of U.S. bank notes or precious metals by the Government of Iran.

I have delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury the authority, in consultation with

the Secretary of State, to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 1, 4, and 5 of the order.

The order was effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on July 31, 2012. All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

The order was effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on July 31, 2012. All agencies of the United States Government are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 11, 2012.*

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Special Report entitled "Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs During the 111th Congress" (Rept. No. 112-193).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 641. A bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005 (Rept. No. 112-194).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 1560. A bill to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 792. A bill to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 3410. A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3459. A bill to amend the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 to improve the high-end computing research and development program of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3460. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3461. A bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 3462. A bill to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3463. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

S. 3464. A bill to amend the Mni Wiconi Project Act of 1988 to facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin:

S.J. Res. 48. A joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to the health insurance premium tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. Res. 534. A resolution congratulating the Navy Dental Corps on its 100th anniversary; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 19, a bill to restore American's individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 225

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] were added as cosponsors of S. 225, a bill to permit the disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 678

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 678, a bill to increase the penalties for economic espionage.

S. 818

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 818, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information

between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1366

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1366, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to broaden the special rules for certain governmental plans under section 105(j) to include plans established by political subdivisions.

S. 1878

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1878, a bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2074

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2074, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2245

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2245, a bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States.

S. 2268

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2268, a bill to ensure that all items offered for sale in any gift shop of the National Park Service or of the National Archives and Records Administration are produced in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2320

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2320, a bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3236

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3236, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

S. 3405

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3405, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat small businesses bequeathed to spouses and dependents by members of the Armed Forces killed in line of duty as small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes.

S. 3430

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3430, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes.

S. 3450

At the request of Mr. COATS, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3450, a bill to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977.

S. 3458

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of S. 3458, a bill to require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and

Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 490

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 490, a resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

SENATE RESOLUTION 524

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 524, a resolution reaffirming the strong support of the United States for the 2002 declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among the member states of ASEAN and the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2012, at 10 a.m.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 31, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "State of Federal Privacy and Data Security Law: Lagging Behind the Times?"

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE, PEACE CORPS, AND GLOBAL NARCOTICS AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 30, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, and Global Narcotics Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Doing Business in Latin America: Positive Trends but Serious Challenges."

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF OSWALDO PAYA SARDINAS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 525) honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinas.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for Mr. BILL NELSON) to amend the resolution on page 4, on various lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2740).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

At 7:14 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, August 1, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3457) to

require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a Veterans Jobs Corps, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE TO CORRECT THE ENROLLMENT OF BILL H.R. 1627

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 55) directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of bill H.R. 1627, submitted today by Mr. HARKIN, and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTIONS TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

Mrs. MURRAY asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 9) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of the bill (S. 1925) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. GRASSLEY objected.

Pending debate,

Mr. GRASSLEY asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 4970) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; that all after the enacting clause be stricken; that the text of bill S. 1925, as passed, be modified by striking provisions of sections 805 and 810, and inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate in a ratio to be agreed upon by both leaders.

Mrs. MURRAY objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3326

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3326) to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; that an amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, be the only amendment in order to be proposed; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendment; that, if the amendment is not agreed to, the bill be read the third time, and passed, without intervening action or debate; that when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives the bill (H.R. 5986) to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes, and if it is identical to bill S. 3326, the bill be read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed, without intervening action or debate; and that no amendment be in order be to be proposed thereto.

Ordered further, That if the amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, is agreed to, the Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of bill H.R. 9; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 3326, as amended, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed, without intervening action or debate; that when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives bill H.R. 5986, the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of sections 2 and 3 of bill S. 3326, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed, without intervening debate; that bill S. 3326 be returned to the calendar; that motions to waive and motions to table be in order; that no other motion be in order; and that motions to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT TO BILL H.R. 1905

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1905) to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes.

On motion by Mr. REID,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the Senate to the bill.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction

of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7025. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2012 report to Congress on the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7026. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7027. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Jig Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC079), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7028. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; 'Other Rockfish' in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC087), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7029. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection Division of Marketing Practices, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure Requirements and Prohibitions Concerning Franchising" (RIN3084-AA63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7030. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Eureka, NV" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1333)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7031. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Livingston, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0139)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7032. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Memphis, TN" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1211)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7033. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Class D Airspace; Andalusia, AL and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Fort Rucker, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1457)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7034. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Woodland, CA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0345)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7035. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D Airspace; Pontiac, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1142)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7036. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Lakehurst, NJ" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0456)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7037. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation and Modification of Multiple Domestic, Alaskan, and Hawaiian Compulsory Reporting Points" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0129)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7038. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of the Part 67 Requirement for Individuals Granted the Special Issuance of a Medical Certificate to Carry Their Letter of Authorization While Exercising Pilot Privileges; Confirmation of Effective Date" ((RIN2120-AK00)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0056)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7039. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flightcrew Member Duty and Rest Requirements; OMB Approval of Information Collection" ((RIN2120-AJ58)(Docket No. FAA-2009-1093)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7040. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airport Concessions Disadvantaged Business Enterprise: Program Improvements" (RIN2105-AE10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7041. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Alpha Aviation Concept Limited (Type Certificate Previously Held by Alpha Aviation Design Limited) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0279)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the

Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7042. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Aeronautical Accessories, Inc., High Landing Gear Aft Crosstube Assembly" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0083)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7043. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0039)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7044. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0013)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7045. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0298)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7046. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (OPERATIONS) LIMITED Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0106)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7047. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0265)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7048. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0034)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7049. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Saab AB, Saab Aerosystems Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0330)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7050. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0300)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7051. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1170)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7052. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0418)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7053. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hartzell Engine Technologies Turbochargers" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0565)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7054. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; WACO Classic Aircraft Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0578)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7055. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7056. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileria de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0441)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7057. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Enstrom Helicopter Corporation Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0562)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7058. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; AGUSTA S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0600)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7059. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of

Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada, Limited, Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0087)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7060. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0152)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7061. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0040)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7062. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0659)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7063. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0645)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7064. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0719)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7065. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0673)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7066. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1257)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7067. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0991)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7068. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1415)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7069. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1412)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7070. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1254)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7071. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1255)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7072. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1115)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7073. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Southwestern United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0286)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7074. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules (4); Amdt. No. 501" (RIN2120-AA63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7075. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (109); Amdt. No. 3484" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7076. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (97); Amdt. No. 3482" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7077. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation

Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (97); Amdt. No. 3483" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7078. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (33); Amdt. No. 3485" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7079. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (110); Amdt. No. 3486" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 24, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7080. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Relay Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities" ((CG Docket Nos. 12-38 and 03-123)(FCC 12-71)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7081. A communication from the Chief of the Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 2. 925 and 2.926 of the Rules Regarding Grantee Codes for Certified Radiofrequency Equipment" (FCC 12-60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7082. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rural Health Care Support Mechanism" ((RIN3060-AF85)(FCC 12-74)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7083. A communication from the Deputy Division Chief of the Policy Division, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures to Govern the Use of Satellite Earth Stations on Board Vessels in the 5925-6425 MHz/3700-4200 MHz Bands and 14.0-14.5 GHz/11.7-12.2 GHz Bands" ((IB Docket No. 02-10)(FCC 12-79)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7084. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information from Foreign Regions Applying for Recognition of Animal Health Status" ((RIN0579-AD30)(Docket No. APHIS-2007-0158)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7085. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to providing certain support aid to the Government of Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7086. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Voucher Processing" ((RIN0750-AH52)(DFARS Case 2011-D054)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7087. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on the National Academy of Sciences Assessment and Report on Metrics of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7088. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Adjudicatory Process Rules and Related Requirements: 10 CFR Parts 2, 12, 51, 54, and 61" ((RIN3150-AI43)(NRC-2008-0415)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7089. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Data Collection to Support Standards Related to Essential Health Benefits; Recognition of Entities for the Accreditation of Qualified Health Plans" (RIN0938-AR36), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7090. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Third Party Payer Issues and Reporting Agent, Revisions to Rev. Proc. 2007-38" (Rev. Proc. 2012-32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7091. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Rev. Proc. 98-32" (Rev. Proc. 2012-33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7092. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment" (Notice 2012-49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7093. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Marginal Production Rates" (Notice 2012-50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7094. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-089, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7095. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Country Reports on Terrorism 2011"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7096. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Railroad Unemployment Insurance System"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7097. A joint communication from the Executive Director and the Chair of the Board of Governors, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Institute's 2011 Annual Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7098. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-092, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7099. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3330-EM in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts having exceeded the $5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7100. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Statute of Limitations Provisions for Office Disciplinary Proceedings" (RIN0651-AC76), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 1272. A bill to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 3370. A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3465. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to define care coordination, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail the care coordination functions of the Assistant Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3466. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for employer-provided job training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHANNS:

S. 3467. A bill to establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance conducted by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. WARNER, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3468. A bill to affirm the authority of the President to require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 3469. A bill to establish a new organization to manage nuclear waste, provide a consensual process for siting nuclear waste facilities, ensure adequate funding for managing nuclear waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3470. A bill to permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3471. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on Olympic medals won by United States athletes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3472. A bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 3473. A bill to replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3474. A bill to provide consumer protection for students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3475. A bill to increase the participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education and industry; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3476. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CASEY, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 3477. A bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BLUNT, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FRANKEN, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3478. A bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3479. A bill to strengthen manufacturing in the United States through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, to deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and to promote United States exports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. TOOMEY, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. 3480. A bill to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. REED):

S.J. Res. 49. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 535. A resolution recognizing the goals and ideals of the Movement is Life Caucus; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. Res. 536. A resolution designating September 9, 2012, as "National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 537. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. TESTER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. KIRK, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 538. A resolution designating September 2012 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 539. A resolution designating October 13, 2012, as "National Chess Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. Res. 540. A resolution designating the week of August 6 through August 10, 2012, as "National Convenient Care Clinic Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. Con. Res. 55. A concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1627; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 558

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 558, a bill to limit the use of cluster munitions.

S. 645

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 645, a bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

S. 704

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 704, a bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1526

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1526, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for the installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1935

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1935, supra.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2118

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2118, a bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.

S. 2173

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] and the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 2173, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 2281

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2281, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to strengthen the ability of the Food and Drug Administration to seek advice from external experts regarding rare diseases, the burden of rare diseases, and the unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] were added as cosponsors of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr.

KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3243

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 3243, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged in 2011 by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3338, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

S. 3384

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3384, a bill to extend supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs.

S. 3407

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3407, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 3441

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3441, a bill to provide for the transfer of excess Department of Defense aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 44

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 44, a joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

SENATE RESOLUTION 399

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 399, a resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 9 a.m., in room SR 328A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Marketplace Fairness: Leveling the Playing Field for Small Business."

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Update on the Latest Climate Change Science and Local Adaptation Measures."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform: Examining the Taxation of Business Entities."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled "Next Steps in Syria."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on August 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Rising Prison Costs: Restricting Budgets and Crime Prevention Options."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a European Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "The Future of the Eurozone: Outlook and Lessons."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 1, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Streamlining and Strengthening HUD's Rental Housing Assistance Programs."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 1:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 828. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment.

H.R. 3641. An act to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 679. An act to reduce the number of executive position subject to Senate confirmation.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1627) to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain requirement for the placement of monuments in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

At 5:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 55. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1627.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 679. An Act to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation.

S. 1959. An Act to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes.

At 6:54 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1905) to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes, with an amendment.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 828. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

DESIGNATING THE "WARREN LINDLEY POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1369) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1021 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, as the "Warren Lindley Post Office".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "REVEREND ABE BROWN POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3276) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2810 East Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa, Florida, as the "Reverend Abe Brown Post Office Building".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SERGEANT RICHARD FRANKLIN ABSHIRE POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3412) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1421 Veterans Memorial Drive in Abbeville, Louisiana, as the "Sergeant Richard Franklin Abshire Post Office Building".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SPC NICHOLAS SCOTT HARTGE POST OFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3501) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the "SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "FIRST SERGEANT LANDRES CHEEKS POST OFFICE BUILDING"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3772) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 150 South Union Street in Canton, Mississippi, as the "First Sergeant Landres Cheeks Post Office Building".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

THE YSLETA DEL SUR PUEBLO AND ALABAMA AND COUSHATTA INDIAN TRIBES OF TEXAS RESTORATION ACT AMENDMENTS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R 1560) to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

IMPROPER PAYMENTS ELIMINATION AND RECOVERY IMPROVEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1409) to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Mr. COBURN) to insert, in lieu of the language proposed to be inserted by the pending reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), other words (being amendment No. 2770, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION BOARD OF REGENTS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 49) providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, introduced on today by Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. REED), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the joint resolution.

The question being on the passage of the joint resolution; and

No amendment being proposed,

The joint resolution was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING A NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM WORKERS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 519) designating October 30, 2012, as a national day of remembrance for nuclear weapons program workers.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 536) designating September 9, 2012, as "National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day", submitted today by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, and Mr. BEGICH), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 537) supporting the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, submitted today by Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 538) designating September 2012 as "National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month", submitted today by Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. TESTER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. KIRK, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CHESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 539) designating October 13, 2012, as "National Chess Day", submitted today by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CONVENIENT CARE CLINIC WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 540) designating the week of August 6 through August 10, 2012, as "National Convenient Care Clinic Week", submitted today by Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, the Senate proceed to consider bill S. 3326, and an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN thereto, as pursuant to the order of today; that, upon conclusion of time for debate on said amendment, time until 11 a.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States; and that, at 11 a.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3414.

Ordered further, That, upon disposition of said motion, and notwithstanding said motion having been agreed to, the Senate vote in relation to the amendment to be proposed by

Mr. COBURN to bill S. 3326; and that, upon disposition of said amendment, the Senate proceed, as pursuant to the order of today, relative to said bill.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to bill S. 3414 until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 8:05 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, August 2, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a Veterans Jobs Corps, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3326) to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. COBURN to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2771, in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE ON BILL S. 3414

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, July 31, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 31, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 52, nays... 46

[Rollcall Vote No. 187 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Merkley, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker, Wyden.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. REID, having voted on the prevailing side, entered a motion to reconsider the foregoing vote.

AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3326.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2771 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---

yeas... 40, nays... 58

[Rollcall Vote No. 188 Leg.]

YEAS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid,

Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill was read the third time.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill was passed.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 12:50 p.m. on today, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Gershwin A. Drain, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan; that there be 1 hour, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no intervening action or debate.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 12:50 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill (H.R. 5986) to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2008, and for other purposes, having been received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and being identical to bill S. 3326, as pursuant to said order, was laid before the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed; and a motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

PROVIDING FOR RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT OF THE TWO HOUSES

On the request of Mr. CARDIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 56) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

STOCK ACT AMENDMENTS

On the request of Mr. CARDIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3510) to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 6079

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that, following disposition of pending bill S. 3414, but not later than September 28, 2012, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 6079) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; that there be one hour for debate thereon; that no amendment be in order to be proposed thereto; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. REID objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457:

HARRY REID, JOHN KERRY, BERNARD SANDERS, KENT CONRAD, AL FRANKEN, TOM UDALL, CHRIS COONS, MARK BEGICH, PATTY MURRAY, BILL NELSON, AMY KLOBUCHAR, TOM CARPER, ROBERT MENENDEZ, JIM WEBB, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, J.A. MERKLEY, JACK REED.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived; and that, at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 11, 2012, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, August 2, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 679. A bill to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation.

S. 1959. A bill to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7101. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Air Traffic Service Routes; Southwestern United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0287)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7102. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class D Airspace and Amendment of Class E Airspace; East Hampton, NY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0217)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7103. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Southwestern United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0286)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7104. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0271)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7105. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0704)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7106. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0057)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7107. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Transport Category Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0102)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7108. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; PZL Swidnik S.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0703)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7109. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (OPERATIONS) LIMITED Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0189)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7110. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Vertol (Type Certificate Currently Held by Columbia Helicopters, Inc. (CHI)) and Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Limited Helicopters (Kawasaki)" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0730)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7111. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0304)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7112. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0149)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7113. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0104)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7114. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation for Marine Events; Temporary Change of Dates for Recurring Marine Events in the Fifth Coast Guard District, Ocean City Maryland Offshore Grand Prix, Ocean City, MD" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0046)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7115. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Restricted Areas R-5402, R-5403A, R-5403B, R-5403C, R-5403D, R-5403E, and R-5403F; Devils Lake, ND" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0117)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7116. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of

Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Closure of the 2012 Trimester 2 Directed Longfin Squid Fishery" (RIN0648-XC098), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7117. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pelagic Shelf Rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC093), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7118. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marine Recreational Fisheries of the United States; National Saltwater Angler Registry and State Exemption Program" (RIN0648-BB49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7119. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC109), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7120. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Northern Rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-X094), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7121. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Arrowtooth Flounder, Flathead Sole, Rex Sole, Deep-Water Flatfish, and Shallow-Water Flatfish in the Gulf of Alaska Management Area" (RIN0648-XC110), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7122. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Adjustment of Georges Bank Yellowtail Flounder Annual Catch Limits" (RIN0648-X077), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7123. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC112), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7124. A joint communication from the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to maintaining the EP-3E Airborne Reconnaissance Integrated Electronic System II and the Special Projects Aircraft platform in a manner that meets the intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance requirements of the Commanders of the Combatant Commands; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7125. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7126. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7127. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0085 - 2012-0096); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7128. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Fiscal Year 2013 Rates; Hospitals' Resident Caps for Graduate Medical Education Payment Purposes; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers and for Ambulatory Surgical Centers" (RIN0938-AR12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7129. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-399, "Walter Reed Army Medical Center Base Realignment and Closure Homeless Assistance Submission Approval Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7130. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-400, "Heat Wave Safety Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7131. A joint communication from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the activities and accomplishments of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense Joint Executive Council for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7132. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7133. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Permissible Investments for Federal and State Savings Associations: Corporate Debt Securities" (RIN3064-AD88), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7134. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts from sequester for fiscal

year 2013, if sequester is necessary; to the Committee on the Budget.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-129. A concurrent resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio designating Central State University as Ohio's 1890 land grant university and requesting that the United States Congress pass legislation and the United States Department of Agriculture take steps to recognize that designation and provide the institution with all of the benefits of the designation; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 30

Whereas, the United States Congress enacted and the President of the United States signed into law the Morrill Act of 1862 permitting each state to designate at least one institution as a "land grant" college or university where the leading object is the teaching of agriculture and the mechanic arts, initially endowing such institution with a grant of land or scrip for the receiving state to sell and invest on behalf of the institution; and

Whereas, the United States Congress enacted and the President of the United States signed into law the Second Morrill Act of 1890 to extend access to higher education by providing sustained federal support for all land grant institutions and to expand and enhance educational opportunities in agriculture and the mechanic arts for Black Americans; and

Whereas, the State of Ohio established The Ohio State University as the state's land grant university under the Morrill Act of 1862 in order to provide excellent educational opportunities to all Ohioans; and

Whereas, the State of Ohio, in 1887, created the Combined Normal and Industrial Department of Wilberforce University to provide teacher training and vocational education open to all qualified applicants of good and moral character; and

Whereas, Central State University is the successor of that institution and continues to provide baccalaureate and graduate educational opportunities in a wide variety of agriculture-related disciplines; and

Whereas, Central State University is Ohio's only public historically Black college or university; and

Whereas, Central State University and its predecessor institutions have made the same extraordinary contributions to the education of African Americans in the State of Ohio as other 1890 universities have made in their respective states; and

Whereas, the Ohio General Assembly desires to designate Central State University as an 1890 land grant university under the Second Morrill Act; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, designate Central State University as a land grant university under the Second Morrill Act of 1890 and request that the United States Congress pass legislation, and the United States Department of Agriculture take the necessary steps, to recognize that designation and to provide Central State University with all of the benefits of such designation; and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader of the United States Senate.

POM-130. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois urging the President and Congress to begin an expedited withdrawal of forces from Afghanistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 824

Whereas, the United States of America was attacked in a well-coordinated operation by a group of terrorists on September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, almost 3,000 innocent men, women, and children were killed as a result of the airplanes that were hijacked by the terrorists and subsequently crashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and an open field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, the terrorists were proven to be members of the terrorist organization known as al-Qaeda, which was led by Osama bin Laden; and

Whereas, the al-Qaeda terrorist organization had operated for years from sanctuary locations based in Afghanistan; the group conducted numerous acts of terror over the years against U.S. targets both on the U.S. mainland and in other locations throughout the world, which had been planned in those sanctuary locations; and

Whereas, in order to disrupt and destroy the al-Qaeda terrorist organization and capture or eliminate its leaders, it was necessary to attack the organization's sanctuary bases; and

Whereas, in October of 2001, the United States military, acting under orders issued by Commander-in-Chief President George W. Bush, attacked al-Qaeda sanctuary bases in Afghanistan in conjunction with local Afghan forces opposed to the terrorist organization operating in their country; and

Whereas, the United States military, in the finest traditions of America's fighting forces, had great success in disrupting, dispersing, and destroying al-Qaeda operations and eliminating many of its senior leaders; and

Whereas, President Barack Obama, succeeding President Bush as Commander-in-Chief, did continue and strengthen the efforts to completely destroy al-Qaeda; such efforts resulted in the killing of Osama bin Laden, the leader of al-Qaeda, bringing the world's leading terrorist to justice for the many acts of murder which he and his organization carried out; and

Whereas, the United States, having joined forces with nations from around the world, led an effort to stabilize Afghanistan by supporting infrastructure projects beneficial to all Afghans and by helping the Afghans understand the positive benefits of equal rights for all, judicial due process, and the rule of law; and

Whereas, after more than a decade of extended military operations to enhance security and with contributions of hundreds of billions of dollars of nation-building resources having been put into the country to foster development, much progress has been made toward the goals of a free and secure society within Afghanistan; and

Whereas, while this progress has come at a high financial cost, it has also cost the lives of more than 1,500 brave American service members and dozens of fighting forces of other nations, all of whom made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country; and

Whereas, despite this progress, it appears from recent events involving all the International Security Assistance Forces (ISAF) that the presence of the United States military and that of other countries, as well as the civilian consultants that are working to help the Afghan people, has not been accepted by a broad spectrum of the Afghanistan population; and

Whereas, this lack of acceptance places all foreign military and civilian consultant personnel in grave danger, which results in an inability for those personnel to properly conduct the types of operations in which they are engaged; and

Whereas, there is already in place a plan to withdraw most forces from Afghanistan in the 2014 time frame; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Seventh General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That we urge the President and Congress to begin an expedited withdrawal of forces from Afghanistan, to the fullest extent possible consistent with strategic military objectives, thus accelerating the current withdrawal plan set in place; and be it further

Resolved, That suitable copies of this resolution be sent to the President, the Speaker of the United States House of

Representatives, and the President pro tempore of the United States Senate.

POM-131. A resolution adopted by the Pecos River Commission requesting that Congress fully fund the National Streamflow Information Program (NSIP) gages associated with the Pecos River Basin and the U.S. Geological Survey place a priority on funding these gages under NSIP; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-132. A resolution adopted by the Pecos River Commission requesting that Congress reauthorize the Water Resources Development Act of 2007, Section 5056, and to appropriate sufficient funds to carry out work related to that legislation; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1956. A bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-195).

By Mr. INOUYE, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 5856. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-196).

By Mr. NELSON, of Nebraska, from the Committee on Appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 5882. A bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-197).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 546. A bill to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-198).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1065. A bill to settle land claims within the Fort Hall Reservation (Rept. No. 112-199).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 1218. A bill to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-200).

S. 379. A bill to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe (Rept. No. 112-201).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment:

S. 772. A bill to protect Federal employees and visitors, improve the security of Federal facilities and authorize and modernize the Federal Protective Service (Rept. No. 112-202).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 225. A bill to permit the disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S.J. Res. 44. A joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. 3481. A bill to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to employees and to require approval of high cost Government conferences and reporting regarding Government conferences; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. RISCH, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. VITTER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. HATCH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 3482. A bill to cut, cap, and balance the Federal budget; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3483. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3484. A bill to amend the S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to provide an exception from the definition of loan originator for certain loans made with respect to manufactured homes, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to modify the definition of a high-cost mortgage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3485. A bill to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3486. A bill to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, and Mr. PAUL):

S. 3487. A bill to provide for auditable financial statements for the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3488. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts:

S. 3489. A bill to protect senior citizens, disabled persons, veterans, and other beneficiaries and customers of the Social Security Administration by performing the process for closure of field offices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 3490. A bill to dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 3491. A bill to cut taxes for innovative businesses that produce renewable chemicals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MORAN, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 3492. A bill to provide for exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KYL:

S. 3493. A bill to protect first amendment rights of journalists and internet service providers by preventing States and the United States from allowing meritless lawsuits arising from acts in furtherance of those rights, commonly called "Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation" or "SLAPPs", and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3494. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to qualify formerly homeless individuals who are full-time students for purposes of low income housing tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3495. A bill to direct the President to establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate United States development programs and private sector investment activities, and for other purpose; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3496. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs that are prepared by the pharmacies for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3497. A bill to amend the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to repeal certain designation authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, to repeal the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3498. A bill to provide humanitarian assistance and support a democratic transition in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3499. A bill to amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the Act applies to condominiums; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. COBURN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LEE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3500. A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3501. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marihuana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 3502. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit rental of motor vehicles under a safety recall because of a defect related to motor vehicle safety or noncompliance with an applicable motor vehicle safety standard until the defect or noncompliance is remedied, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3503. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of work-study allowances by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to individuals who are pursuing programs of rehabilitation, education, or training under laws administered by the Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3504. A bill to help fulfill the Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities for Native Americans; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. RISCH):

S. 3505. A bill to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars in construction-related contracts for reconstruction efforts in Afghanistan by requiring reporting to Congress by Federal agencies that refuse to implement, or only partially concur with, SIGAR recommendations to seek reimbursement for failure by a contractor or subcontractor to successfully complete a contract due to poor contractor performance, cost overruns, or other reasons; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 3506. A bill to eliminate requirements to undertake duplicative clinical testing of new pharmaceutical drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices, when such duplication is inconsistent with relevant ethical norms; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3507. A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on ceiling fans for permanent installation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. COONS):

S. 3508. A bill to strengthen resources for entrepreneurs by improving the SCORE program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 3509. A bill to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 to provide for expedited project implementation relating to the comprehensive Everglades restoration plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. 3510. A bill to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3511. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transport individuals to and from facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. KOHL, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. WARNER, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CASEY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 3512. A bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. REED:

S. 3513. A bill to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate use of assistance under sections 8 and 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 with public and private resources, to enable eligible families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3514. A bill to repeal a limitation on annual payments under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3515. A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to provide additional protections for privacy and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3516. A bill to encourage spectrum licenses to make unused spectrum available

for use by rural and smaller carriers in order to expand wireless coverage; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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

S. 3517. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3518. A bill to make it a principal negotiating objective of the United States in trade negotiations to eliminate government fisheries subsidies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORKER, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. LEE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. 3519. A bill to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing costs of ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions; read the first time.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 3520. A bill to require a portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 541. A resolution condemning the Government of Vietnam for human rights violations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. Res. 542. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Government should continue to support democracy and human rights in Taiwan following the January 2012 presidential and legislative elections in Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. KIRK):

S. Res. 543. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN):

S. Res. 544. A resolution congratulating the Navy Dental Corps on its 100th anniversary; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 545. A resolution commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Air Force Weather; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. ENZI):

S. Res. 546. A resolution designating the week of September 10, 2012, as "National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COONS):

S. Res. 547. A resolution honoring the life of pioneering astronaut Dr. Sally Ride and expressing the condolences of the Senate on her death; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 56. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. Con. Res. 57. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the census surveys and the information derived from those surveys are crucial to the national welfare; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. Con. Res. 58. A concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4240; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 59. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SHELBY] and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] were added as cosponsors of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 225

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 225, a bill to permit the disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations.

S. 227

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 227, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 645

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 645, a bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

S. 672

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 672, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1045

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1045, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans provide coverage for treatment of a minor child's congenital or developmental deformity or disorder due to trauma, burns, infection, tumor, or disease.

S. 1061

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1061, a bill to amend title 5 and 28, United States Code, with respect to the award of fees and other

expenses in cases brought against agencies of the United States, to require the Administrative Conference of the United States to compile, and make publically available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1265

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1265, a bill to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the land and water conservation fund to maximize the effectiveness of the fund for future generations, and for other purposes.

S. 1385

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1385, a bill to terminate the $1 presidential coin program.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1526

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1526, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for the installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property.

S. 1775

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1775, a bill to promote the development of renewable energy on public lands and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2151

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2151, a bill to improve information security, and for other purposes.

S. 2272

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2272, a bill to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Mount Denali.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] and the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] were added as cosponsors of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3245

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3245, a bill to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

S. 3318

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3318, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3325

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3325, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at 10 institutions of higher education to improve student mental health.

S. 3332

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3332, a bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States.

S. 3342

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3342, a bill to improve information security, and for other purposes.

S. 3370

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3370, a bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation.

S. 3382

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3382, a bill to impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof, and for other purposes.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3397

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3397, a bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes.

S. 3415

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3415, a bill to require the disclosure of all payments made under the Equal Access to Justice Act.

S. 3456

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3456, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses.

S. 3457

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 3457, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

S. 3463

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3463, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries.

S. 3471

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. VITTER], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3471, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on Olympic medals won by United States athletes.

S. 3474

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3474, a bill to provide consumer protection for students.

S. 3480

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3480, a bill to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 29

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 29, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 47

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 47, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus over all of the territory of the island of Cyprus.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 392

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 392, a resolution urging the Republic of Turkey to safeguard its Christian heritage and to return confiscated church properties.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 2, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on August 2, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 2, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECURITY, INSURANCE, AND INVESTMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on August 2, 2012, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining the IPO Process: Is It Working for Ordinary Investors?"

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5986. An act to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore reported that he had signed the following enrolled bills, previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House:

S. 679. An act to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation.

S. 1959. An act to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes.

At 2:52 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 897. An act to provide authority and sanction for the granting and issuance of programs for residential and commuter toll, user fee and fare discounts by States, municipalities, other localities, and all related agencies and departments, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1171. An act to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act.

H.R. 1402. An act to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the

jurisdiction of the House of Representatives at no net cost to the Federal Government.

H.R. 1550. An act to direct the Attorney General to give priority in the allocation of Federal law enforcement personnel and resources to States and local jurisdictions that have a high incidence of homicide or other violent crime.

H.R. 1950. An act to enact title 54, United States Code, "National Park System", as positive law.

H.R. 2446. An act to clarify the treatment of homeowner warranties under current law, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3120. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to require accreditation of certain educational institutions for purposes of a nonimmigrant student visa, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3158. An act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms.

H.R. 3187. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

H.R. 3706. An act to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3796. An act to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006.

H.R. 4073. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875.

H.R. 4104. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

H.R. 4273. An act to clarify that compliance with an emergency order under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act may not be considered a violation of any Federal, State, or local environmental law or regulation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4362. An act to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4365. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies.

H.R. 5797. An act to exempt the owners and operators of vessels operating on Mille Lacs Lake, Minnesota, from certain Federal requirements.

H.R. 6029. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for increased penalties for foreign and economic espionage, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6062. An act to reauthorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.

H.R. 6063. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 270. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon.

S. 271. An act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes.

S. 739. An act to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government.

S. 3363. An act to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the house passed the following act, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 300. An act to prevent abuse of Government charge cards.

The message also announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 135. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, in recognition of her leadership and perseverance in the struggle for freedom and democracy in Burma.

At 5:52 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 270. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon.

S. 271. An act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes.

S. 739. An act to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government.

S. 3363. An act to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes.

H. R. 1369. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1021 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, as the "Warren Lindley Post Office".

H.R. 1560. An act to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta de Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

H.R. 1627. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care and medical services to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, to improve the provision of housing assistance to veterans and their families, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1905. An act to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3276. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2810 East Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa, Florida, as the "Reverend Abe Brown Post Office Building".

H.R. 3412. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1421 Veterans Memorial Drive in Abbeville, Louisiana, as the "Sergeant Richard Franklin Abshire Post Office Building".

H.R. 3501. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the "SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office".

H.R. 3772. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 150 South Union Street in Canton, Mississippi, as the "First Sergeant Landres Cheeks Post Office Building".

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 5:52 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5986. An act to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 897. An act to provide authority and sanction for the granting and issuance of programs for residential and commuter toll, user fee and fare discounts by States, municipalities, other localities, and all related agencies and departments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1171. An act to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1550. An act to direct the Attorney General to give priority in the allocation of Federal law enforcement personnel and resources to States and local jurisdictions that have a high incidence of homicide or other violent crime; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1950. An act to enact title 54, United States Code, "National Park System", as positive law; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2446. An act to clarify the treatment of homeowner warranties under current law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3120. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to require accreditation of certain educational institutions for purposes of a nonimmigrant student visa, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 3158. An act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3706. An act to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3796. An act to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4273. An act to clarify that compliance with an emergency order under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act may not be considered a violation of any Federal, State, or local environmental law or regulation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 4362. An act to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4365. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5797. To exempt the owners and operators of vessels operating on Mille Lacs Lake, Minnesota, from certain Federal requirements; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 6062. An act to reauthorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6063. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 6029. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for increased penalties for foreign and economic espionage, and for other purposes.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Stephanie Marie Rose, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no intervening action or debate; that, following the vote, a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

NOMINATIONS IN STATUS QUO

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That if the Senate adjourns as pursuant to provisions of concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 59, all nominations remain in status quo, except the following nomination in the Committee on the Judiciary: Caitlin Joan Halligan to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, notwithstanding provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

AMBASSADOR JAMES R. LILLEY AND CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN J. SOLARZ NORTH KOREA HUMAN RIGHTS REAUTHORIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 4240) to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE TO CORRECT THE ENROLLMENT OF BILL H.R. 4240

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 58) directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4240, submitted today by Mr. KERRY, and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REAUTHORIZING CERTAIN IMMIGRATION PROGRAMS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3245) to permanently reauthorize the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious

Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. HATCH) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2773, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY), so as to read: "A bill to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program."

AUTHORIZING VEHICLE BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1402) to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the House of Representatives at no net cost to the Federal Government, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REQUIRING THE TSA TO COMPLY WITH THE UNIFORMED SERVICE EMPLOYMENT AND RE-EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3670) to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Service Employment and Re-Employment Rights Act.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING JOSEPH KONY AND THE LORD'S RESISTANCE ARMY FOR COMMITING CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 402) condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the resolution.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was withdrawn, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. COONS) to strike all after the resolving clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2775, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, as reported by the Committee, so as to read: "Condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments and regional organizations in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield."

COMMENDING THE "DOOLITTLE TOKYO RAIDERS"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Armed Services be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 418) commending the 80 brave men who became known as the "Doolittle Tokyo Raiders" for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States during the bombing of Tokyo and 5 other targets on the island of Honshu on April 18, 1942, during the Second World War.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. SHERROD BROWN) to strike all after the resolving clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2776, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the accompanying preamble.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. SHERROD BROWN) to strike the preamble and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2777, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. SHERROD BROWN), so as to read: "Commemorating the 70th anniversary and commending the brave men of the 17th Bombardment Group (Medium) who became known as the `Doolittle Tokyo Raiders' for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States in conducting the bombing of Tokyo on April 18, 1942."

REAFFIRMING U.S. SUPPORT FOR THE 2002 DECLARATION OF CONDUCT OF PARTIES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 524) reaffirming the strong support of the United States for the 2002 declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among the member states of ASEAN and the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the accompanying preamble.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. LEVIN) to amend the preamble, by striking certain words, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2779).

The amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE NAVY DENTAL CORPS ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 544) congratulating the Navy Dental Corps on its 100th anniversary, submitted today by Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF AIR FORCE WEATHER

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 545) commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Air Force Weather, submitted today by Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. BEN NELSON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 546) designating the week of September 10, 2012, as "National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week", submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. ENZI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ASTRONAUT SALLY RIDE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 547) honoring the life of pioneering astronaut Dr. Sally Ride and expressing the condolences of the Senate on her death, submitted today by Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COONS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 135) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, in recognition of her leadership and perseverance in the struggle for freedom and democracy in Burma, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT OF THE TWO HOUSES

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 59) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3519) to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing costs of ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions, introduced today by Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORKER, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. LEE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. TOOMEY), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO REPORT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the recess, committees be authorized to submit legislative and executive reports on Tuesday, August 28, 2012 from 12 noon until 2 p.m.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader, Mr. WEBB, Mr. REED, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. CARDIN be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until Monday, September 10, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:15 A.M. ON TOMORROW, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10:15 a.m. on Friday, August 3, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Friday, August 10, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11:30 a.m. on Friday, August 17, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 24, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 28, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11:30 a.m. on Friday, August 31, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 4, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 12 noon on Friday, September 7, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012; that, on Monday, September 10, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, Senators be permitted to speak for 10 minutes each; and that, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that the House has agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 59, the Senate adjourn, as pursuant to the provisions of said concurrent resolution, until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 8:31 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10:15 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10:15:09 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, August 3, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

The Senate subsequently (on Tuesday, August 7, 2012) having received a message from the House of Representatives announcing it had agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 59,

Under the authority of the order of yesterday,

At 10:15:34 a.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of yesterday, and pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 59, until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 10, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, August 3, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, August 3, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR MOMENT OF SILENCE ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 4:55 p.m. on today, the Senate observe a moment of silence to observe the 40th anniversary of those killed at the Munich Olympics.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pursuant to the order of today,

At 4:55 p.m.,

The Senate observed a moment of silence to observe the 40th anniversary of those killed at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, August 2, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, August 2, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that, on Friday, August 3, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 270. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon.

S. 271. A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes.

S. 739. A bill to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government.

S. 3363. A bill to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3510. A bill to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 3, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives that the Clerk is directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives failed to agree to the resolution of the Senate (S. Con. Res. 56) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 3, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3510. An act to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 2103(b), and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following individual from private life to the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress on the part of the House of Representatives for a term of 6 years: Mr. C. Kurt Dewhurt of Michigan.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 7, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has agreed the following concurrent resolutions, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 58. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4240.

S. Con. Res. 59. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 7, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY) had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3510. An act to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1402. An act to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the House of Representatives at no net cost to the Federal Government.

H.R. 3670. An act to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

H.R. 4240. An act to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills were subsequently signed on August 7, 2012 by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. WEBB).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES SUBMITTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of August 2, 2012, the following reports of committees were submitted on August 28, 2012:

By Ms. STABENOW, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:

Report to accompany S. 3240, An original bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-203).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1002. A bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-204).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1515. A bill to permit certain members of the United States Secret Service and certain members of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division who were appointed in 1984, 1985, or 1986 to elect to be covered under the District of Columbia Police and Firefighter Retirement and Disability System in the same manner as members appointed prior to 1984 (Rept. No. 112-205).

H.R. 915. A bill to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-206).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 3193. A bill to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-207).

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3521. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions (Rept. No. 112-208).

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7135. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants" (RIN0572-AC26), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7136. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Swap Transaction Compliance and Implementation Schedule: Clearing Requirement Under Section 2(h) of the CEA" (RIN3038-AD60), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7137. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "End-User Exception to the Clearing Requirement for Swaps" (RIN3038-AD10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7138. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Office of General Counsel, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Definition of 'Swap,' 'Security-Based Swap,' and 'Security-Based Swap Agreement'; Mixed Swaps; Security-Based Swap Agreement Recordkeeping" (RIN3038-AD46), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7139. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Paraquat Dichloride; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9357-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7140. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus thuringiensis eCry3.1Ab Protein in Corn; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9357-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7141. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residues of Didecyl dimethyl ammonium chloride; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9356-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7142. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flutriafol; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9348-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7143. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "S-Metolachlor; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9356-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7144. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fludioxonil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9357-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7145. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flutriafol; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9349-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7146. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyprodinil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9359-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7147. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Didecyl Dimethyl Ammonium Carbonate and Didecyl Dimethyl Ammonium Bicarbonate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9359-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7148. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pesticide Tolerance Crop Grouping Program III; Revisions to General Tolerance Regulations" (FRL No. 9354-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7149. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Department of the Air Force and was assigned Air Force case number 10-04; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7150. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's 2012 report to Congress entitled "The Worldwide Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Weapons and Ballistic and Cruise Missile Threat" (DCN OSS 2012-1272); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7151. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Craig R. McKinley, Air National Guard of the United States, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7152. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Frank A. Panter, Jr., United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7153. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral David Architzel, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7154. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Admiral John C. Harvey, Jr., United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7155. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Dirk J. Debbink, United States Navy Reserve, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7156. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of five (5) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7157. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to export control regulations; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7158. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13396 on February 7, 2006, with respect to Cote d'Ivoire; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7159. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing: Continuum of Care Program" (RIN2506-AC29), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7160. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Housing and Urban Development" (RIN2506-AC55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7161. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7162. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7163. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7164. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7165. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7166. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7167. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2012 Annual Plan: Ultra-Deepwater and Unconventional Natural Gas and Other Petroleum Resources Research and Development Program"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7168. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to granting the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) a 30-day extension of time to file its quarterly reports; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7169. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Segregation of Lands - Renewable Energy" (RIN1004-AE19), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7170. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administration of Mining Claims and Sites" (RIN1004-AE27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7171. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines" (RIN1902-AE46), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7172. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual Implementation Report on Energy Conservation Standards Activities of the

Department of Energy; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7173. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and State Grants Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revising the Special Rule for the Utah Prairie Dog" (RIN1018-AW02), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7174. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to the Generic Aging Lessons Learned (GALL) Report Revision 2 Aging Management Program (AMP) XI.M41, 'Buried and Underground Piping and Tanks'" (LR-ISG-2011-03), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7175. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endorsement of Nuclear Energy Institute Guidance for Using an Alternative Method to Manage Cumulative Fatigue at Nuclear Power Reactor Sites" (RIS 2012-09), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7176. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for Evaluation of Diversity and Defense-in-Depth in Digital Computer-Based Instrumentation and Control Systems" (BTP 7-19 Rev. 6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7177. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endorsement of Nuclear Energy Institute Guidance for Developing Seismic Hazard Information Requested in the 50. 54(F) Letter Dated March 12, 2012" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7178. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Hawaii; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9712-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7179. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; Hawaii; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9711-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7180. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oklahoma: Incorporation by Reference of Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9701-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7181. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Mojave Desert, Northern Sierra, Sacramento Metropolitan and San Diego Air Pollution Agencies" (FRL No. 9687-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7182. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9687-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7183. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Wisconsin; Volatile Organic Compound Emission Control Measures for Milwaukee and Sheboygan Ozone Nonattainment Areas" (FRL No. 9689-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7184. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Federal Implementation Plan for Oil and Natural Gas Well Production Facilities; Fort Berthold Indian Reservation (Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nations), North Dakota" (FRL No. 9710-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7185. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Source Performance Standards Review for Nitric Acid Plants" (FRL No. 9667-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7186. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Failure to Attain the One-Hour Ozone Standard by 2007, Determination of Current Attainment of the One-Hour Ozone Standard, Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone Standards for the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island Nonattainment Area in Connecticut, New Jersey and New York" (FRL No. 9696-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7187. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "South Dakota: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 9712-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7188. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9358-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7189. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a

rule entitled "Final Confidentiality Determinations for Nine Subparts and Amendments to Subpart A and I under the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule" (FRL No. 9706-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7190. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Arkansas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9713-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7191. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits Program; Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; Administrative Changes" (FRL No. 9714-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7192. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Illinois; Ozone" (FRL No. 9712-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7193. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Source Specific Federal Implementation Plan for Implementing Best Available Retrofit Technology for Four Corners Power Plant: Navajo Nation" (FRL No. 9715-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7194. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Hot Mix Asphalt Plants" (FRL No. 9719-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7195. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Regional Haze" (FRL No. 9716-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7196. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Knoxville; Fine Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9717-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7197. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island; Reasonable Further Progress Plans and 2002 Base Year Emission Inventories" (FRL No. 9672-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7198. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Nevada; Regional Haze State and Federal Implementation Plans; BART Determination for Reid Gardner Generating Station" (FRL No. 9700-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7199. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Oregon; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9718-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7200. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9691-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7201. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "LAND DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS: Site-Specific Treatment Variance for Hazardous Selenium-Bearing Waste Treated by U.S. Ecology Nevada in Beatty, NV" (FRL No. 9715-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7202. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions: Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks; and Steel Pickling--HC1 Process Facilities and Hydrochloric Acid Regeneration Plants" (FRL No. 9709-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7203. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deductions for Entertainment Use of Business Aircraft" ((RIN1545-BK34)(TD 9597)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7204. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fast Track Settlement for TE/GE Taxpayers" (Announcement 2012-34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7205. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-53), received during adjournment of the Senate in the

Office of the President of the Senate on August 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7206. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Medicare Competitive Acquisition Ombudsman's 2010 Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7207. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of the Treasury Acquisition Regulation; Internet Payment Platform" (RIN1505-AC41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7208. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System - Update for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2012 (FY 2013)" (RIN0938-AR22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7209. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2013" (RIN0938-AR20), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7210. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2013" (RIN0938-AR21), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7211. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Simplification: Adoption of Operating Rules for Health Care Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) and Remittance Advice Transactions" (RIN0938-AR01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7212. A joint communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Legislative and Public Affairs, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Joint Summary of Performance and Financial Information for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7213. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0097 - 2012-0111); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7214. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of a Danger Pay Allowance for Mali; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7215. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the International Labor Organization Recommendations concerning Decent Work for Domestic Workers (Nos. 189 and 201), adopted by the 100th session of the International Labor Conference at Geneva; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7216. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-069, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7217. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-101, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7218. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-066, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7219. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-091, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7220. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-096, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7221. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2993); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7222. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2991); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7223. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, notice of proposed permanent transfer of significant military equipment pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT-12-2992); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7224. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-075); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7225. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the

Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-110); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7226. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-034); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7227. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-039); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7228. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-052); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7229. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-057); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7230. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-063); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7231. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-097); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7232. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-076); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7233. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-101); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7234. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-081); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7235. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-085); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7236. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-099); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7237. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-073); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7238. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's 2012 Annual Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7239. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on Food Facilities, Food Imports, and FDA Foreign Offices Provisions of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7240. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Performance Report of the Food and Drug Administration's Office of Combination Products for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7241. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Device Registration and Listing Requirements Enacted in the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act of 2002, and Title II of the Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007" ((RIN0910-AF88)(Docket No. FDA-2009-N-0114)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7242. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7243. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Construction, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cranes and Derricks in Construction: Demolition and Underground Construction" (RIN1218-AC61), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7244. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program - Rehabilitation Research Training Center (RRTCs) on Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) and Developing Strategies to Meet Employer Needs in Changing Economic Environments" (CFDA No. 84.133B-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7245. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7246. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cost Accounting Standards: Cost Accounting Standards 412 and 413 - Cost Accounting Standards Pension Harmonization Rule" (48 CFR Part 9904), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7247. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, (4) four reports relative to vacancies within the Office of Management and Budget, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7248. A communication from the Executive Director for Operations, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Commission's commercial activities inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7249. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report on The Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7250. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-416, "Wrongful Death Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7251. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-431, "8th Street Plaza Condominium Association, Inc. Clarification Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7252. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-432, "Closing of Public Alleys in Square 901, S.O. 11-5228, Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7253. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-433, "Downtown BID Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7254. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-434, "Sign Regulation Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7255. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-435, "Residential Parking Protection Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7256. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-436, "Criminal Penalty for Unregistered Motorist Repeal Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7257. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-437, "Taxicab Service Improvement Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7258. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-438, "Collaborative Care Expansion Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7259. A communication from the Senior Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Standards To Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Prison Rape" (RIN1105-AB34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7260. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Bureau of Investigation Anti-Piracy Warning Seal Program" (RIN1110-AA32), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7261. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Patent Term Adjustment Provisions Relating to Appellate Review" (RIN0651-AC63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7262. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Surety Guarantees, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Surety Bond Guarantee Program - Quick Bond Application and Agreement" (RIN3245-AG39), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-7263. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Kemah Boardwalk Summer Season Fireworks, Galveston Bay, Kemah, TX" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0240)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7264. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Alexandria Bay Chamber of Commerce, St. Lawrence River, Alexandria Bay, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0353)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7265. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Alexandria Bay Chamber of Commerce, St. Lawrence River, Alexandria Bay, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0353)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7266. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; City of Tonawanda July 4th Celebration, Niagara River, Tonawanda, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0352)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7267. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Electric Zoo Fireworks, East River, Randall's Island, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0588)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7268. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bay Village Independence Day Fireworks, Lake Erie, Bay Village, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0553)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the

Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7269. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Independence Day Fireworks Celebration for the City of Richmond, Richmond Inner Harbor, Richmond, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0419)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7270. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; City of Tonawanda July 4th" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0352)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7271. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Belle Pass Dredge Operations, Belle Pass, Mile Marker 1.0 to Mile Marker (-0.2), Prot Fourchon, Lafourche Parish, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0392)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7272. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; International Bridge 50th Anniversary Celebration Fireworks, St. Mary's River, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Locks, Sault Sainte Marie, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0200)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7273. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, Mile 183.0 to 183.5" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0315)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7274. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Olcott Fireworks, Lake Ontario, Olcott, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0351)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7275. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Marine Week Cleveland, Lake Erie, Cleveland, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0462)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7276. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; City of Ogdensburg Fireworks, St. Lawrence River, Ogdensburg, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0608)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7277. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Port Valdez, Alaska Maritime Highway System Ferry Terminal" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0641)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7278. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Village of Sodus Point Fireworks Display, Sodus Bay, Sodus Point, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0355)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7279. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; NOBLE DISCOVERER, Outer Continental Shelf Drillship, Chukchi and/or Beaufort Seas, Alaska" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0024)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7280. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Sellwood Bridge Project, Willamette River; Portland, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0131)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7281. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; KULLUK, Outer Continental Shelf Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit (MODU); Beaufort Sea, Alaska" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1143)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7282. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Skagway Harbor, Skagway, Alaska for 4th of July Fireworks" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0512)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7283. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Temporary Change for Recurring Fifth Coast Guard District Fireworks Displays, Cavalier Golf and Yacht Club Independence Day Fireworks Display, Broad Bay; Virginia Beach, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0227)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7284. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Village of Sackets Harbor, Lake Ontario, Sackets Harbor, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0464)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7285. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Mentor Harbor Yachting Club Fireworks, Lake Erie, Mentor, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0356)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7286. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone for Fifth Coast Guard District Fireworks Display Currituck Sound; Corolla, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0358)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7287. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Wrangell Harbor, Wrangell, Alaska for 4th of July Fireworks" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-00565)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7288. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Port of Dutch Harbor; Dutch Harbor, Alaska" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0545)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7289. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Newburgh to Beacon Swim, Newburgh, Hudson River, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0538)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7290. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sacramento River Closure for Aerial Cable Installation, Sacramento, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0376)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7291. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks for NC NENA/APCO Conference, Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0624)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7292. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks for NC NENA/APCO Conference, Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0699)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7293. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Conneaut 4th of July Festival, Lake Erie, Conneaut, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0480)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7294. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Canal Fest of the Tonawandas, Erie Canal, Tonawanda, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0609)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7295. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Flying Magazine Air Show, Lake Winnebago, Oshkosh, WI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0635)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7296. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Tom Graves Memorial Fireworks, Port Bay, Wolcott, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0584)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7297. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Buffalo July 4th Fireworks, Lake Erie, Buffalo, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0554)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7298. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sea World San Diego Fireworks, Mission Bay; San Diego, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0497)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7299. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; San Diego Symphony POPS Fireworks; San Diego, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0490)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7300. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Keweenaw Waterway, Hancock, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0469)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7301. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Can-Am Festival Fireworks, Black River Bay, Sackets Harbor, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0617)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7302. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Old Fashion 4th July Fireworks, Presque Isle Bay, Erie, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0465)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7303. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Cleveland

Yachting Club Fireworks, Lake Erie, Rocky River, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0567)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7304. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Wicomico Community Fireworks Rain Date, Great Wicomico River, Mila, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0425)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7305. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone and Special Local Regulation; 2012 Macy's 4th of July Fireworks and Spectator Viewing Areas, Hudson River, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00 and RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0405)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7306. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Hudson Valley Triathlon, Ulster Landing, Hudson River, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0537)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7307. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sea World San Diego Fireworks, Mission Bay; San Diego, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0435)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7308. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone, Naval Helicopter Association Reunion Helicopter Demonstration, Elizabeth River, Norfolk, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0255)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7309. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones: Catawba Island Club Fire Works Catawba Island Club, Port Clinton, OH; Pacing for Recovery, Lake Erie, Sterling State Park, Monroe, MI; Put-In-Bay Fireworks, Fox's the Dock Pier, South Bass Island, Put-In-Bay, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0374), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7310. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Seafair Blue Angels Air Show Performance, Seattle, WA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0699)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of August 2, 2012, the following reports of committees were submitted on August 28, 2012:

By Ms. STABENOW, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:

Report to accompany S. 3240, An original bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-203).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1002. A bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-204).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1515. A bill to permit certain members of the United States Secret Service and certain members of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division who were appointed in 1984, 1985, or 1986 to elect to be covered under the District of Columbia Police and Firefighter Retirement and Disability System in the same manner as members appointed prior to 1984 (Rept. No. 112-205).

H.R. 915. A bill to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-206).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 3193. A bill to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-207).

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3521. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions (Rept. No. 112-208).

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3524. An original bill to deter the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-209).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3521. An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3522. A bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; read the first time.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KOHL, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. SNOWE, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3523. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend protection to fashion design, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3524. An original bill to deter the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3525. A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; read the first time.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 35

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 35, a bill to establish background check procedures for gun shows.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 503

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to declare English as the official language of the United States, to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the United States, pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the United States and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8, of the Constitution.

S. 565

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 565, a bill to establish an employment-based immigrant visa for alien entrepreneurs who have received significant capital from investors to establish a business in the United States.

S. 641

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 641, a bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

S. 645

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 645, a bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.

S. 778

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 778, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to physician supervision of therapeutic hospital outpatient services.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 932

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 932, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a $1,000 refundable credit for individuals who are bona fide volunteer members of volunteer firefighting and emergency medical service organizations.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1108

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1108, a bill to provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient, and for other purposes.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1278

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1278, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on indoor tanning services.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1463

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1463, a bill to amend the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to protect breastfeeding by new mothers and to provide for reasonable break time for nursing mothers.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1723

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1723, a bill to provide for teacher and first responder stabilization.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1882

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1882, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1983

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1983, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] were added as cosponsors of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2246

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2246, a bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training, and for other purposes.

S. 2346

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2346, a bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term "biobased product".

S. 2364

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2364, a bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3192

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3192, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act by establishing an F-4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing an advanced degree in mathematics, engineering, technology, or the physical sciences in the United States, to authorize such aliens to become permanent residents if they obtain employment in the United States related to their field of study, and for other purposes.

S. 3235

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3235, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes.

S. 3243

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3243, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged in 2011 by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee.

S. 3378

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3378, a bill to establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines, and for other purposes.

S. 3391

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3391, a bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3442

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3442, a bill to provide tax incentives for small businesses, improve programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3452

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3452, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish a national usury rate for consumer credit transactions.

S. 3457

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] and the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3457, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

S. 3463

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of S. 3463, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries.

S. 3472

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3472, a bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act.

S. 3486

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3486, a bill to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

S. 3498

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3498, a bill to provide humanitarian assistance and support a democratic transition in Syria, and for other purposes.

S. 3516

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3516, a bill to encourage spectrum licenses to make unused spectrum available for use by rural and smaller carriers in order to expand wireless coverage.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 48, a concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] and the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 88

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 88, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that businesses of the United States should retain the option to organize as those businesses choose, including as flow-through entities, and not be forced to reorganize as C corporations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

SENATE RESOLUTION 546

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 546, a resolution designating the week of September 10, 2012, as "National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week".

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 8. An act to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6233. An act to make supplemental agricultural disaster assistance available for fiscal year 2012 with the costs of such assistance offset by changes to certain conservation programs, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 127. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

HOUSE BILL AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

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

H.R. 6233. An act to make supplemental agricultural disaster assistance available for fiscal year 2012 with the costs of such assistance offset by changes to certain conservation programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 127. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3522) to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, introduced today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. SANDERS), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. TESTER, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3519) to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing costs of ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions, introduced on Thursday, August 2, 2012, by Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORKER, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. LEE, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. TOOMEY), and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half hour, and the minority control the second half hour.

Ordered further, That, at 11 a.m., the Senate observe a moment of silence in observance of the eleventh anniversary of the attacks of September 11, 2001.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 7:54 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 11, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3522) to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, introduced on yesterday by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. SANDERS), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. TESTER, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 10:59 a.m.,

The Senate observed a moment of silence in observance of the eleventh anniversary of the attacks of September 11, 2001.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:24 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, August 2, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on that day, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, August 2, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 95, nays... 1

[Rollcall Vote No. 191 Leg.]

YEAS --- 95

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

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So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following messages from the President of the United States were transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS WHO COMMIT, THREATEN TO COMMIT, OR SUPPORT TERRORISM -- PM 61

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within the 90-day period prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice, stating that the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2012.

The crisis constituted by the grave acts of terrorism and threats of terrorism committed by foreign terrorists, including the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, in New York and Pennsylvania and against the Pentagon, and the continuing and immediate threat of further attacks on United States nationals or the United States that led to the declaration of a national emergency on September 23, 2001, has not been resolved. These actions pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, and maintain in force the comprehensive sanctions to respond to this threat.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *September 11, 2012.*

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001—PM 62

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within the 90-day period prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. Consistent with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency declared with respect to the terrorist attacks on the United States of September 11, 2001, is to continue in effect for an additional year.

The terrorist threat that led to the declaration on September 14, 2001, of a national emergency continues. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue in effect after September 14,

2012, the national emergency with respect to the terrorist threat.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *September 11, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7311. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Flagship Niagara Mariners Ball Fireworks, Presque Isle Bay; Erie, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0349)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7312. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; A Salute to Our Heroes Fireworks, Hamlin Beach State Park; Hamlin, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-00354)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7313. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fourth of July Fireworks Event, Pagan River; Smithfield, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0377)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7314. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Barrel Recovery, Lake Superior; Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0491)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7315. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Olde Ellison Bay Days Fireworks Display, Ellison Bay, Wisconsin" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0536)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7316. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Portage Cove, Haines, AK for 4th of July Fireworks Presentation" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0576)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7317. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; F/V Deep Sea, Penn Cove, WA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1007)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7318. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; USMMA Fireworks, Long Island Sound, Kings Point, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0404)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7319. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Barrel Recovery, Lake Superior; Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0491)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7320. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; North Topsail Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0426)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7321. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Annually Recurring Marine Events in Coast Guard Southeastern New England Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1026)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7322. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2013"; to the Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Veterans' Affairs; Indian Affairs; and Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-7323. A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: Disqualified Recipient Reporting and Computer Matching Requirements" (RIN0584-AB51), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7324. A communication from the Administrator of the National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program; Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (Crops, Livestock and Processing)" ((RIN0581-AD15)(AMS-NOP-11-0058; NOP-11-09FR)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7325. A communication from the Administrator of the National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program (NOP); Sunset Review (2012); Correction" ((RIN0581-AC96)(AMS-NOP-09-0074; NOP-09-01FR)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the

Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7326. A communication from the Administrator of Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Mideast Marketing Area; Order Amending the Order" (AMS-DA-11-0067), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7327. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Livestock Mandatory Reporting Program; Establishment of the Reporting Regulation for Wholesale Pork" ((RIN0581-AD07)(AMS-LS-11-0049)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7328. A communication from the Administrator of the Livestock and Seed Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Beef Promotion and Research; Amendment to the Order" (AMS-LS-11-0086), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7329. A communication from the Administrator of the Cotton and Tobacco Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cotton Board Rules and Regulations; Adjusting Supplemental Assessment on Imports" (AMS-CN-11-0091), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7330. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cranberries Grown in States of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, Washington, and Long Island in the State of New York; Changing Reporting Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-FV-12-0002; FV12-929-1 IR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7331. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tomatoes Grown in Florida; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0080; FV11-966-1 FR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7332. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Specialty Crops; Import Regulations; New Pistachio Import Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-FV-09-0064; FV09-999-1 FR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7333. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Olives Grown in California; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-11-0093; FV12-932-1 FR), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7334. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clothianidin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9360-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7335. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pesticides; Microbial Pesticide Definitions and Applicability; Clarification and Availability of Test Guideline" (FRL No. 9338-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7336. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pendimethalin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9360-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7337. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nitric Acid; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9338-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7338. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thifensulfuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9360-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7339. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Inflation Adjustment of Threshold for Acquisition of Right-Hand Drive Passenger Sedans" ((RIN0750-AH65)-(DFARS Case 2012-D016)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7340. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Reporting of Government-Furnished Property" ((RIN0750-AG83)(DFARS Case 2012-D001)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7341. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Defense Industrial Base Capabilities Fund; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7342. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Fiscal Year 2011 Inventory of Contracts for Services"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7343. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, five (5) Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending June 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and

referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3526. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to protect the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 3527. A bill to provide for enhanced criminal penalties for individuals who file a SEVP certification petition under false pretenses, to prohibit certain schools from accessing SEVIS or participating in the SEVP and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3528. A bill to repeal the authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House of Representatives; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. ROBERTS:

S. 3529. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to clarify a certain provision relating to prevention of accidental releases; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. ENZI, Mr. VITTER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. KYL):

S.J. Res. 50. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 548. A resolution designating the week beginning September 9, 2012, as "National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 549. A resolution designating September 2012 as "Campus Fire Safety Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 550. A resolution designating September 13, 2012, as "National Celiac Disease Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] were added as cosponsors of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 434

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 434, a bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education.

S. 634

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 634, a bill to ensure that the courts of the United States may provide an impartial forum for claims brought by United States citizens and others against any railroad organized as a separate legal entity, arising from the deportation of United States citizens and others to Nazi concentration camps on trains owned or operated by such railroad, and by the heirs and survivors of such persons.

S. 645

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 645, a bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1069

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1069, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear, and for other purposes.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1391

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1391, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the disability compensation evaluation procedure of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma, and for other purposes.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1798

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1798, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that members of the Armed Forces who may have been exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits while deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure, and for other purposes.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1935

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] were added as cosponsors of

S. 1935, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

S. 1966

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 1966, a bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for enrolling, activating, issuing, and renewing Transportation Worker Identification Credentials so that applicants are not required to visit a designated enrollment center more than once.

S. 1989

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings.

S. 2078

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2078, a bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3083

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3083, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3208

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3208, a bill to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3340

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3340, a bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3354

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3354, a bill to authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3402

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3402, a bill to require the Secretary of Labor to maintain a publicly available list of all employers that relocate a call center overseas, to make such companies ineligible for Federal grants or guaranteed loans, and to require disclosure of the physical location of business agents engaging in customer service communications, and for other purposes.

S. 3418

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3418, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to use only human-based methods for training members of the Armed Forces in the treatment of severe combat injuries.

S. 3435

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3435, a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building".

S. 3457

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3457, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

S. 3471

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3471, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on Olympic medals won by United States athletes.

S. 3520

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3520, a bill to require a portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE RESOLUTION 385

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 385, a resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 406. An act to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to

designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate.

H.R. 2139. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.

H.R. 2489. An act to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program.

H.R. 2706. An act to prohibit the sale of billfish.

H.R. 3397. An act to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6007. An act to exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority.

H.R. 6122. An act to revise the authority of the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts and bequests on behalf of the Library, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6186. An act to require a study of voluntary community-based flood insurance options and how such options could be incorporated into the national flood insurance program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6336. An act to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and to provide for the permanent display of the statue in Emancipation Hall of the United States Capitol.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 132. Concurrent resolution providing funding to ensure the printing and production of the authorized number of copies of the revised and updated version of the House document entitled "Hispanic Americans in Congress", and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS AND CONCURRENT REFERRED

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

H.R. 406. An act to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H.R. 3397. An act to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6007. An act to exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 6122. An act to revise the authority of the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts and bequests on behalf of the Library, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H.R. 6186. An act to require a study of voluntary community-based flood insurance options and how such options could be incorporated into the national flood insurance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 132. Concurrent resolution providing funding to ensure the printing and production of the authorized number of copies of the revised and updated version of the House document entitled "Hispanic Americans in Congress", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2489. An act to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS RECOGNITION WEEK"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 548) designating the week beginning September 9, 2012, as "National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week", submitted today by Mr. BEN NELSON (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER LAID before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 549) designating September 2012 as "Campus Fire Safety Month", submitted today by Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CELIAC DISEASE AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 550) designating September 13, 2012, as "National Celiac Disease Awareness Day", submitted today by Mr. BEN NELSON (for himself and Mr. INHOFE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457; that the first 70 minutes be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half

therein; and that time during morning business, recess, or adjournment be counted against the time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 7:31 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its unfinished business, viz, the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, August 2, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

At 5:54 p.m.,

The Senate recessed, subject to the call of the chair.

AT 8:45 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3457

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3457.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---

yeas... 84, nays... 8

[Rollcall Vote No. 192 Leg.]

YEAS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 8

Blunt, Coburn, DeMint, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Lee, Paul, Sessions.

So the motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

VETERANS JOBS CORPS ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. ROCKEFELLER) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2789, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2808).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "7 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "6 days" (being amendment No. 2809).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute); which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 3457:

HARRY REID, BILL NELSON, CARL LEVIN, TOM HARKIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, CHRIS COONS, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, PATRICK J. LEAHY, BERNARD SANDERS, D.K. INOUYE, BEN CARDIN, AL FRANKEN, BARBARA BOXER, RON WYDEN, ROBERT MENENDEZ, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., B.A. MIKULSKI.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2810).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 2811).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the bill to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2812).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2812) contained in the pending motion by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2813).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2814).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3457:

HARRY REID, BILL NELSON, CARL LEVIN, TOM HARKIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, CHRIS COONS, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, PATRICK J. LEAHY, BERNARD SANDERS, D.K. INOUYE, BEN CARDIN, AL FRANKEN, BARBARA BOXER, RON WYDEN, ROBERT MENENDEZ, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., B.A. MIKULSKI.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3521) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3457

Mr. PAUL asked unanimous consent that it be in order for the pending amendments to bill S. 3457 to be laid aside; and that it be in order for him to propose amendment No. 2783 and one other.

Mr. REID objected.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7344. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to eliminating barriers to firms that are not traditional suppliers to the Department of Defense that wish to contract with the Department; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7345. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's Biennial Report to Congress; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7346. A communication from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7347. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7348. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7349. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7350. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7351. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7352. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7353. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7354. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Federative Republic of Brazil (Brazil); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7355. A communication from the Under Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was originally declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7356. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7357. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe declared in Executive Order

13288; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7358. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Management and Budget's report of the estimated cost of assets purchased under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7359. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA): Strengthening Risk Management Through Responsible FHA-Approved Lenders" (RIN2502-AJ13), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7360. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, (3) reports relative to vacancies within the Department, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7361. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7362. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7363. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Guidelines: Market Risk" (RIN3064-AD70), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7364. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Payments by Resource Extraction Issuers" (RIN3235-AK85), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7365. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conflict Minerals" (RIN3235-AK84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7366. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Guidelines: Market Risk" (RIN1557-AC99), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7367. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dinotefuran; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9359-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7368. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Polyoxin D zinc salt; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9360-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7369. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Confirmation, Portfolio Reconciliation, Portfolio Compression, and Swap Trading Relationship Documentation Requirements for Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants" (RIN3038-AC96), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7370. A communication from the Administrator, U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Energy Outlook 2012"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7371. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made in licensing and constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7372. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Impact of the Compacts of Free Association on Guam: Fiscal Year 2004 through Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7373. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7374. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf - Increased Safety Measures for Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf" (RIN1014-AA02), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7375. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Memorandum of Justification relative to Pakistan (OSS-2012-1292); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7376. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Memorandum of Justification relative to Pakistan (OSS-2012-1293); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7377. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-064, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7378. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-123, of the proposed sale or export of

defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7379. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-116, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7380. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-107, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7381. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-103, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7382. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-118, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7383. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-095, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7384. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-111, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7385. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-127, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7386. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period April 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7387. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-091); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7388. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-069); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7389. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-047); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7390. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-122); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7391. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-111); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7392. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7393. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0112 - 2012-0118); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7394. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended for the six months ending December 31, 2011"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7395. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Jacksonville Harbor Mile Point Navigation Study, Duval County, Florida project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7396. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Ohio River Shoreline, Paducah, Kentucky Reconstruction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7397. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the San Clemente Shoreline in Orange County, California; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7398. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Staff Position on Applying Surveillance Requirements 3.0.2 and 3.0.3 to Administrative Controls Program Tests" (RIS 2012-10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7399. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Maintenance of Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria" (RIN3150-AI77), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7400. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Compliance with Order EA-12-050, Reliable Hardened Containment Vents" (JLD-ISG-2012-02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7401. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Compliance with Order EA-12-049, Order Modifying Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events" (JLD-ISG-2012-01), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7402. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Status for the Chupadera Springsnail and Designation of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-AV86), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7403. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Ipomopsis polyantha (Pagosa skyrocket), Penstemon debilis (Parachute beardtongue), and Phacelia submutica (DeBeque phacelia)" (RIN1018-AX75), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7404. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Status for 23 Species on Oahu and Designation of Critical Habitat for 124 Species" (RIN1018-AV49), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7405. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Wildlife Refuge System, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012-2013 Refuge-Specific Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations" (RIN1018-AY37), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7406. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Attainment Plan for the Philadelphia-Wilmington, Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Delaware 1997 Fine Particulate Matter Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9719-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7407. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Volatile Organic Compounds; Architectural and Industrial Maintenance Coatings" (FRL No. 9720-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7408. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Tennessee: Bristol; Determination of Attaining Data for the 2008 Lead Standards" (FRL No. 9720-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7409. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Diego County, Antelope Valley and Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Agencies" (FRL No. 9718-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7410. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9714-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7411. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Technical Corrections, Clarifying and Other Amendments to the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule, and Confidentiality Determinations for Certain Data Elements of the Fluorinated Gas Source Category" (FRL No. 9714-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7412. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Preconstruction Requirements - Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review; Correction" (FRL No. 9723-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7413. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Washington; Determination of Clean Data for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulate Standard for the Tacoma, Pierce County Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9723-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7414. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)" (FRL No. 9711-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7415. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions of Five California Clean Air Act Title V Operating Permits Programs" (FRL No. 9724-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7416. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Petroleum Refineries; Standards of Performance for Petroleum Refineries for Which Construction, Reconstruction, or Modification Commenced After May 14, 2007" (FRL No. 9672-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7417. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs): Revisions to Manifesting Regulations" (FRL No. 9703-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7418. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nonconformance Penalties for On-highway Heavy-Duty Diesel Engines" (FRL No. 9716-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7419. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9725-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7420. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9725-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7421. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ocean Dumping; Designation of Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Sites Offshore of Yaquina Bay, Oregon" (FRL No. 9724-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7422. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; Determinations of Attainment for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9726-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7423. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Virginia; Revisions to the State Implementation Plan Approved by EPA through Letter Notice Actions" (FRL No. 9724-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7424. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri; Maximum Allowable Emission of Particulate Matter from Fuel Burning Equipment Used for Indirect Heating" (FRL No. 9726-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7425. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Amendments to West Virginia's Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9725-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7426. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Michigan; PSD and NSR Regulations" (FRL No. 9725-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7427. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from the Pulp and Paper Industry" (FRL No. 9684-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7428. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "25-Year Average Segment Rates and Adjusted 24-Month Average Segment Rates Used for Pension Funding" (Notice 2012-55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7429. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates" (Notice 2012-24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7430. A communication from the Program Manager, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Information Technology: Standards, Implementation Specifications, and Certification Criteria for Electronic Health Record Technology, 2014 Edition; Revisions to the Permanent Certification Program for Health Information Technology" (RIN0991-AB82), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 27, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7431. A communication from the Program Manager, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act, Exempt Record System" (Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0252), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7432. A communication from the Program Manager, Office of the Secretary,

Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act; Implementation" (Docket No. NIH-2011-0001), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7433. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Simplification: Adoption of a Standard for a Unique Health Plan Identifier; Addition to the National Provider Identifier Requirements; and a Change to the Compliance Date for the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Edition (ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS) Medical Data Code Sets" (RIN0938-AQ13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7434. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7435. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priority; Technical Assistance on State Data Collection, Analysis, and Reporting - National IDEA Technical Assistance Center on Early Childhood Longitudinal Data Systems" (CFDA No. 84.373Z), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7436. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priorities and Definitions; State Personnel Development Grants" (CFDA No. 84.323A), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7437. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding Between the Food and Drug Administration and Other Departments, Agencies, and Organizations" (Docket No. FDA-2012-N-0205), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7438. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Animal Drugs, Feeds, and Related Products; Regulation of Carcinogenic Compounds in Food-Producing Animals" (Docket No. FDA-2010-N-0612), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7439. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Vitamin D2 Bakers Yeast" (Docket No. FDA-2009-F-0570), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7440. A communication from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Office of Inspector General's budget request for the fiscal year 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 46. A bill to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-210).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 3530. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3531. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and to increase the investment credit for more efficient fuel cells; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3532. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of church pension plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 3533. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to extend the solvency of the Social Security Trust Funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages under the Social Security program and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3534. A bill to amend the statue of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 3535. A bill to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for the purpose of retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. HELLER, Mr. WEBB, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 3536. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS,

Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 551. A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, including Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 552. A resolution recognizing the month of October 2012 as "National Principals Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. CASEY):

S. Res. 553. A resolution designating September 22, 2012, as "National Falls Prevention Awareness Day" to raise awareness and encourage the prevention of falls among older adults; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] were added as cosponsors of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 426

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 426, a bill to strengthen student achievement and graduation rates and prepare young people for college, careers, and citizenship through innovative partnerships that meet the comprehensive needs of children and youth.

S. 563

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 563, a bill to provide for equal access to COBRA continuation coverage.

S. 634

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 634, a bill to ensure that the courts of the United States may provide an impartial forum for claims brought by United States citizens and others against any railroad organized as a separate legal entity, arising from the deportation of United States citizens and others to Nazi concentration camps on trains owned or operated by such railroad, and by the heirs and survivors of such persons.

S. 827

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 827, a bill to allow a State to combine certain funds and enter into a performance agreement with the Secretary of Education to improve the academic achievement of students.

S. 1438

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1438, a bill to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 7.7 percent.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

S. 2371

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2371, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.

S. 2885

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2885, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of the Purple Heart to members of the Armed Forces who are killed or wounded in a terrorist attack perpetrated within the United States.

S. 3049

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3049, a bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 3269

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3269, a bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed.

S. 3391

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3391, a bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

S. 3397

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3397, a bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes.

S. 3405

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3405, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat small businesses bequeathed to spouses and dependents by members of the Armed Forces killed in line of duty as small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes.

S. 3459

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3459, a bill to amend the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 to improve the high-end computing research and development program of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes.

S. 3520

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3520, a bill to require a portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3525

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS], the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3525, a bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 44

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 44, a joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 48

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 48, a joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to the health insurance premium tax credit.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 50, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

SENATE RESOLUTION 401

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 401, a resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

SENATE RESOLUTION 448

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] and the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 448, a resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The Committee will conduct a hearing entitled, "The Path from LEO to Mars."

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS AND SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

The Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Oversight Hearing: NRC's Implementation of Recommendations for Enhancing Nuclear Reactor Safety in the 21st Century."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Update on the Crisis in Syria and Iran".

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 2:45 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Moving from Scandal to Strategy: The Future of the General Services Administration."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on September 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The Citizens United Court and the Continuing Importance of the Voting Rights Act."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session on September 12, 2012, in room 418 of the Senate Russell Office Building beginning at 10 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:58 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 538. An act to require the establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies.

H.R. 1410. An act to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam.

H.R. 1464. An act to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2800. An act to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program.

H.R. 4057. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information

on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4264. An act to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4305. An act to authorize the Attorney General to provide a grant to assist Federal, State, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing individuals.

H.R. 4631. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to institute spending limits and transparency requirements for Federal conference and travel expenditures, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6028. An act to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6080. An act to make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code.

H.R. 6131. An act to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6185. An act to improve security at the State and local courthouses.

H.R. 6189, An act to eliminate unnecessary reporting requirements for unfunded programs under the Office of Justice Programs.

H.R. 6215. An act to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to correct an error in the provisions relating to remedies for dilution.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 17. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Taiwan should be accorded observer status in the International Civil Aviation—Organization (ICAO).

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

S. 710. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 538. An act to require the establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 1410. An act to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 1464. An act to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2800. An act to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4057. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4264. An act to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 4305. An act to authorize the Attorney General to provide a grant to assist Federal, State, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing individuals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4631. To amend title 5, United States Code, to institute spending limits and transparency requirements for Federal conference and travel expenditures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6028. An act to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 6080. An act to make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6185. An act to improve security at State and local courthouses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6189. An act to eliminate unnecessary reporting requirements for unfunded programs under the Office of Justice Programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6215. An act to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to correct an error in the provisions relating to remedies for dilution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 6131. An act to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

RELATIVE TO ACCEPTANCE AND PERMANENT DISPLAY OF A STATUE DEPICTING FREDERICK DOUGLASS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6336) to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and to provide for the permanent display of the statue in Emancipation Hall of the United States Capitol, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMENDING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO DIED IN BENGHAZI, LIBYA AND CONDEMNING THE VIOLENT ATTACK ON THE UNITED STATES CONSULATE IN BENGHAZI WHICH LED TO THEIR DEATHS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 551) commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, including Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi, submitted today by Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr.

CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING "NATIONAL PRINCIPALS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 552) recognizing the month of October 2012 as "National Principals Month", submitted today by Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL FALLS PREVENTION AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 553) designating September 22, 2012, as "National Falls Prevention Awareness Day" to raise awareness and encourage the prevention of falls among older adults, submitted today by Mr. KOHL (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. CASEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader be recognized; that the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority leader control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 9:38 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Reverend Father Marcel Rainville, Chaplain of St. Michael's College, Burlington, Vermont, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3521) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3457

Mr. PAUL asked unanimous consent that the Senate resume consideration of the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; and that the pending amendments be laid aside, and that it be in order for him to propose an amendment (Numbered 2838) to amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. KERRY objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3521.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3457

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, following remarks of the leaders, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3457; that, notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it be in

order for the minority leader, or his designee, to raise a point of order under the Budget Act against amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute); that if a point of order under the Budget Act is raised against said amendment, it be in order for the majority leader, or his designee, to be recognized to make a motion to waive the applicable points of order; that no other amendment, motion, or point of order be in order to amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) or the bill; that the time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the leaders, or their designees, for debate on the motion; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive; that, if the motion to waive is not agreed to, the motions to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) and the bill, be withdrawn; that the bill be returned to the calendar; and that the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to waive is agreed to, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, and notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the motion to commit the bill be withdrawn; that, except for the pending amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute), other pending amendments be withdrawn; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute); that, if said motion is agreed to, time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill; that, if the motion is agreed to, time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; that the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended; and that, following said vote, the majority leader be recognized.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to bring to close debate on amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) is not agreed to, the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill be withdrawn; and the bill be returned to the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3521.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives for concurrence the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes, it be considered read twice and placed on the calendar; that, on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, it be in order for the majority leader to move to proceed to consider the joint resolution; that it be in order for the majority leader to then present a motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution; and that, if said motion is presented, and notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, at 2:15 p.m. on that day, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion to bring to a close debate.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3521.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7441. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems for 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7442. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7443. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-439, "Compulsory/No Fault Motor Vehicle Insurance Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7444. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-440, "Automated Traffic Enforcement Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7445. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-441, "Anacostia River Clean Up and Protection Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7446. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-442, "Immigration Detainer Compliance Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7447. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-443, "Access to Selective Service Registration Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7448. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-444, "DOC Inmate Processing and Release Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7449. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-445, "Block Party Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7450. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-446, "Pesticide Education and Control Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7451. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-447, "Anacostia Waterfront Environmental Standards Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7452. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of

Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-448, "Regulation of Body Artists and Body Art Establishments Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7453. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals through the 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7454. A communication from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2012 FAIR Act inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7455. A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: Administrative Funding Allocations" (RIN0584-AD85), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7456. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's amended Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report on The Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7457. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7458. A communication from the Director of the Acquisition Policy and Legislation Branch, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR); Revision Initiative" (RIN1601-AA28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7459. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3345-EM in the State of West Virginia having exceeded the $5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7460. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to three violations of the Antideficiency Act occurring in an Indian Health Services (IHS) account; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7461. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Proposed Obligations for Cooperative Threat Reduction, September 2012"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7462. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updated Statements of Legal Authority for the Export Administration Regulations" (RIN0694-AF78), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7463. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0119 - 2012-0122); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7464. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Specifications for Medical Examinations of Underground Coal Miners" (RIN0920-AA21), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7465. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "World Trade Center Health Program; Addition of Certain Types of Cancer to the List of WTC-Related Health Conditions" (RIN0920-AA49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7466. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-61, Introduction" (FAC 2005-61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7467. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Closure and Consolidation of 23 D.C. Public Schools"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7468. A communication from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Quarterly Report for July 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7469. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Debt Collection Recovery Activities of the Department of Justice for Debts Referred to the Department for Collection Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7470. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "CPI Adjustment of Patent Fees for Fiscal Year 2013" (RIN0651-AC55), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7471. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a report of proposed legislation entitled "Criminal Judicial Procedure, Administration, and Technical Amendments Act of 2012"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7472. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011 Report of Statistics Required by the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7473. A communication from the President, American Academy of Arts and Letters, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Academy's activities during the year ending December 31, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7474. A joint communication from the Chair and Vice Chair, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2014 budget request; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-7475. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled

"Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7476. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sharing Information Between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense" (RIN2900-AN95), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7477. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guide and Service Dogs" (RIN2900-AN51), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7478. A communication from the Program Manager, Information Sharing Environment, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Annual Report to the Congress on the Information Sharing Environment"; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-7479. A communication from the Program Manager, Information Sharing Environment, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting, pursuant to law, a cover letter, without the listed attachment, relative to the report entitled "Annual Report to the Congress on the Information Sharing Environment"; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-7480. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Fourth of July Fireworks Displays within the Captain of the Port Charleston Zone, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0384)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7481. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Rocketts Red Glare Fireworks, Ancarrows Landing Park, James River, Richmond, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0114)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7482. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Baltimore Air Show, Patapsco River, Baltimore, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0076)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7483. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; America's Cup World Series, East Passage, Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1172)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7484. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Amendment 11" (RIN0648-BB44), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7485. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Arrowtooth Flounder in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC129), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7486. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan; Trawl Rationalization Program" (RIN0648-BC00), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7487. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; 2012 Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Quota Specifications" (RIN0648-XA920), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7488. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Revised Swordfish Trip Limits in the Hawaii Deep-Set Longline Fishery" (RIN0648-BB48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7489. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Commercial Fishing Operations; Bottlenose Dolphin Take Reduction Plan" (RIN0648-BA34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7490. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Annual Specifications" (RIN0648-XB045), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7491. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Framework Adjustment 47 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan and Sector Annual Catch Entitlements; Updated Annual Catch Limits for Sectors and the Common Pool for Fishing Year 2012" (RIN0648-BB62), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7492. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Red Snapper Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB91), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7493. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Annual Specifications" (RIN0648-XA882), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7494. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Annual Catch Limit Amendment Supplement" (RIN0648-BB93), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7495. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Gulf of Alaska; Final 2012 and 2013 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish; Correction" (RIN0648-XA711), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7496. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 32 Supplement" (RIN0648-AY56), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7497. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; North and South Atlantic Swordfish Quotas and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB75), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7498. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Electronic Dealer Reporting Requirements" (RIN0648-BA75), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7499. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska; Amendment 88; Correction" (RIN0648-BC23), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7500. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XC055), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7501. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC056), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7502. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Gulf of Mexico Non-Sandbar Large Coastal Shark Fishery" (RIN0648-XC080), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7503. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Gray Triggerfish" (RIN0648-XC076), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7504. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Chinook Salmon Bycatch Management in the Gulf of Alaska Pollock Fishery; Amendment 93" (RIN0648-BB24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7505. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; 'Other Rockfish' in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC167), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7506. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; White Hake Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XC153), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7507. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Squid in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC119), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7508. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; 2012-2013 Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf King Mackerel in Western Zone" (RIN0648-XC160), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7509. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC142), received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7510. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2012 Recreational Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Golden Tilefish" (RIN0648-XC025), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7511. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Temporary Change for Recurring Fireworks Display within the Fifth Coast Guard District, Pamlico River and Tar River; Washington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0097)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7512. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Classification Societies" ((RIN1625-AB35)(Docket No. USCG-2007-27668)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7513. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Validation of Merchant Mariners' Vital Information and Issuance of Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Licenses and Certificates of Registry (MMLs)" ((RIN1625-AA85)(Docket No. USCG-2004-17455)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7514. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternate Tonnage Threshold for Oil Spill Response Vessels" ((RIN1625-AB82)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0966)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7515. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Swim Events in the Captain of the Port New York Zone; Hudson River, East River, Upper New York Bay, Lower New York Bay; New York, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1000)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7516. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational and Conforming Amendments" ((RIN1625-AB86)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0306)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7517. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Validation of Merchant Mariners' Vital Information and Issuance of Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Documents (MMDs)" ((RIN1625-AB81)(Docket No. USCG-2003-14500)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7518. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carbon Dioxide Fire Suppression Systems on Commercial Vessels" ((RIN1625-AB44)(Docket No. USCG-2006-24797)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 2170. A bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the 'Hatch Act', to scale back the provision forbidding certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title (Rept. No. 112-211).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2389. A bill to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 3537. A bill to require all recreational vessels to have and post passenger capacity limits and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. TESTER):

S. 3538. A bill to reform laws relating to small public housing agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3539. A bill to encourage the adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3540. A bill to reduce Federal advertising budgets; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 3541. A bill to amend section 520 of the Housing Act of 1949 to revise the census data and population requirements for areas to be considered as rural areas for purposes of such Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 3542. A bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 3543. A bill to exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 3544. A bill to make available funds from the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 for funding pension benefits with respect to former employees of Delphi Corporation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3545. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to clarify the rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from the disposition of farm assets under chapter 12 bankruptcies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. TESTER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3546. A bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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

S. 3547. A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 3548. A bill to clarify certain provisions of the Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act of 1994; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3549. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 3550. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to protect students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions of higher education, to provide a waiting period for students to make enrollment decisions, to guard against misrepresentation, to standardize and elevate institutional disclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3551. A bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11-13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 3552. A bill to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 554. A resolution calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to facilitate the immediate and unconditional release of Gao Zhisheng, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 555. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week", including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. Res. 556. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that foreign assistance funding to the Governments of Libya and Egypt should be suspended until the President certifies to Congress that both governments are providing proper security at United States embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 557. A resolution honoring the contributions of Lodi Gyaltsen Gyari as Special Envoy of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and in promoting the legitimate rights and aspirations of the Tibetan people; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 558. A resolution congratulating the athletes from the State of Nevada and throughout the United States who participated in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games as members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 621

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 621, a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to provide for use of excess funds available under that Act to provide for certain benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 755

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 755, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past-due.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 821, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 829

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 829, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1324

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1324, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the importation, exportation, transportation, and sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and for other purposes.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1894

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1894, a bill to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1966

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1966, a bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for enrolling, activating, issuing, and renewing Transportation Worker Identification Credentials so that applicants are not required to visit a designated enrollment center more than once.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2172

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2172, a bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2288

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2288, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3196

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3196, a bill to establish the National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force, and for other purposes.

S. 3197

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3197, a bill to reauthorize the women's business center program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3204

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3204, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3244

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3244, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory.

S. 3248

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3248, a bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States.

S. 3252

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. REID] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3252, a bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy.

S. 3402

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3402, a bill to require the Secretary of Labor to maintain a publicly available list of all employers that relocate a call center overseas, to make such companies ineligible for Federal grants or guaranteed loans, and to require disclosure of the physical location of business agents engaging in customer service communications, and for other purposes.

S. 3426

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3426, a bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to address certain issues related to the extension of consumer credit, and for other purposes.

S. 3457

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3457, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

S. 3463

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of S. 3463, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries.

S. 3477

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 3477, a bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security.

S. 3485

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3485, a bill to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3536

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3536, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] and the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 50, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 13, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Improving College Affordability: A View From the States" on September 13, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 13, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on September 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 13, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled, "Social Security Disability Programs: Improving the Quality of Benefit Award Decisions."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 13, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECURITIES, INSURANCE, AND INVESTMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Holding the CFPB Accountable: Review of Semi-Annual Report to Congress."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3857. An act to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include as an eligible use the sustainment of specialized operational teams used by local law enforcement under the Transit Security Grant Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5544. An act to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the Laurentian District of the Superior National Forest and certain other National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota that has limited recreational and conservation resources and lands owned by the State of Minnesota in trust for the public school system that are largely scattered in checkerboard fashion within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and have important recreational, scenic, and conservation resources, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5865. An act to promote the growth and competitiveness of American manufacturing.

H.R. 5949. An act to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years.

At 6:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 6336. An act to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and to provide for the permanent display of the statue in Emancipation Hall of the United States Capitol.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 3857. An act to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include as an eligible use the sustainment of specialized operational teams used by local law enforcement under the Transit Security Grant Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5544. An act to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the Laurentian District of the Superior National Forest and certain other National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota that has limited recreational and conservation resources and lands owned by the State of Minnesota in trust for the public school system that are largely scattered in checkerboard fashion within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and have important recreational, scenic, and conservation resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

H.R. 5865. An act to promote the growth and competitiveness of American manufacturing; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REAUTHORIZING THE FEDERAL INSECTICIDE, FUNGICIDE, AND RODENTICIDE ACT

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3552) to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, introduced on today by Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. ROBERTS), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

GRANTING THE CONSENT OF CONGRESS TO THE STATE AND PROVINCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 44) granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

The question being on the passage of the joint resolution; and

No amendment being proposed,

The joint resolution was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR FOREIGN SERVICE AND CIVIL SERVICE PROFESSIONALS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 401) expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5949) to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012, FROM THEN UNTIL 10 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 19, 2012; that, on Wednesday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 3457, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, following the vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act relative to amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill S. 3457, as pursuant to the order of today, the majority leader be recognized; and that, following remarks by him, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 8:03 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2012.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2:00:13 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

At 2:00:41 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Thursday, September 13, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 19, 2012.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5949) to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, September 13, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3521) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

VETERANS JOBS CORPS ACT

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3457) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2814, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2813, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2812) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2812).

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

Mr. SESSIONS raised a point of order, viz, that pending amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of the substitute) violates section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

On motion by Mr. DURBIN, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act, to waive provisions of the Act for consideration of pending amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. DURBIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion to waive.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 58, nays... 40

[Rollcall Vote No. 193 Leg.]

YEAS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. SESSIONS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) not in order (taking with it amendments Numbered 2808 and 2809 thereto).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2814 to amendment No. 2813 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2812) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs with instructions.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The motion, by Mr. REID, to bring to a close debate on the question of agreeing to amendment No. 2789 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill, was withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The motion, by Mr. REID, to bring to a close debate on the pending bill, was withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The bill was returned to the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3521

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3521.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID, by unanimous consent, withdrew the pending motion.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117:

HARRY REID, D.K. INOUYE, PATTY MURRAY, BERNARD SANDERS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, DICK DURBIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, DEBBIE STABENOW, RON WYDEN, MAX BAUCUS, MARK PRYOR, CHRIS COONS, JON TESTER, MICHAEL F. BENNET, KAY R. HAGAN, ROBERT P. CASEY, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BARBARA BOXER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

At 12:35 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 13, 2012,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on today, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 76, nays... 22

[Rollcall Vote No. 194 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 22

Barrasso, Boozman, Coburn, Collins, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Lee, Manchin, McCain, Moran, Paul, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Toomey, Vitter.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO DISCHARGE AND CONSIDERATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION S.J. RES. 50

Mr. HATCH asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 50) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on a motion to proceed thereto; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to such motion.

Mr. CARDIN objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

Mr. JOHANNS questioned the presence of a quorum.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) directed the roll to be called.

Pending ascertainment of a quorum,

Mr. GRASSLEY asked unanimous consent that the call of the quorum be withdrawn.

Mr. REID objected.

Pending further ascertainment of a quorum.

When,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum call be withdrawn.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3576 AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS S.J. RES. 41 AND H.J. RES. 117

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, and notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it be in order for the Senate to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. PAUL; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mr. PAUL, and Mr. KERRY, or their designees; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time, and the Senate vote on passage of the bill; that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass; that, if the bill does not receive 60 yea votes, it be considered as having been read twice; and that the bill then be placed on the calendar.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that following disposition of the aforementioned bill, the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mr. PAUL and Mr. KERRY, or their designees; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time, and the Senate vote on passage thereof; and that, if the joint resolution is not passed, it be returned to the calendar.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that, following disposition of the aforementioned joint resolution, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117; that the motion to proceed be agreed to; that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time, and the Senate vote on passage thereof; that the joint resolution receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass; and that, following disposition of the joint resolution, the majority leader be recognized.

Mr. KYL objected.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 8

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of the bill (S. 3412) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that the Senate then insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; that the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, to consist of the members of the Committee on Finance; and that there be no intervening action or debate.

Mr. KYL objected.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 9

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 9) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all

after the enacting clause be stricken; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) by Mr. BAUCUS, being the text of the bill (S. 3521) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, be proposed and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that motions to reconsider be made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. KYL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider H.J. Res. 117.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 14, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 3245. An act to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

S. 3552. An act to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the following enrolled bill, previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House, was signed on September 14, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

H.R. 6336. An act to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and to provide for the permanent display of the statue in Emancipation Hall of the United States Capitol.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7519. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Marysville Days Fireworks, St. Clair River, Marysville, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0388)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7520. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; International Special Operations Forces Week Capability Exercise, Seddon Channel, Tampa, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0007)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7521. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Lake Superior; Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0483)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7522. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Major Motion Picture Filming, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Southport, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0577)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7523. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Oak Island, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0431)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7524. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Emerald Isle, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0432)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7525. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; GR Symphony Fireworks Display, Kalamazoo Lake, Saugatuck, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0570)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7526. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Potomac River, Charles County, Newburg, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0563)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7527. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Lake Superior; Cornucopia, WI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0473)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7528. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Temporary Change for Recurring Fifth Coast Guard District Fireworks Displays; Northwest Harbor (East Channel) and Tred Avon River, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0251)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7529. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Oswego Independence Celebration Fireworks, Oswego Harbor, Oswego, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0481)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7530. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Virginia Beach Oceanfront Air Show, Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0095)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7531. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Annual Fireworks Events in the Captain of the Port Detroit Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0313)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7532. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Wrightsville Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0368)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7533. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sheffield Lake Fireworks, Lake Erie, Sheffield Lake, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0501)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7534. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Detroit Symphony Orchestra at Ford House Fireworks, Lake St. Clair, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0600)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7535. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Nautical City Festival Air Show, Rogers City, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0389)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7536. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bay Swim V, Presque Isle Bay, Erie, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0163)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7537. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; NOAA Vessel Rueben Lasker Launch, Marinette, WI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0492)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7538. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sheboygan Harbor Fest, Sheboygan, WI" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0539)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7539. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Richmond-Essex County Fourth of July Fireworks, Rappahannock River, Tappahannock, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0300)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7540. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fifth Coast Guard District Fireworks Display Pasquotank River; Elizabeth City, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0543)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7541. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Major Motion Picture Filming, Cape Fear River; Wilmington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0515)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7542. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Grand Hotel 125th Anniversary Fireworks Celebration, Mackinaw Island, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0533)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7543. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Arctic Drilling and Support Vessels, Puget Sound, WA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0508)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7544. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Fireworks Display, Potomac River, National Harbor Access Channel; Oxon Hill, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0507)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7545. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Race on the Lake, Onondaga Lake, Syracuse, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0347)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7546. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays in Captain of the Port Long Island Sound Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0477)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7547. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard,

Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones, Seattle's Seafair Fleet Week Moving Vessels, Puget Sound, WA" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1126)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7548. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; 2012 Republican National Convention, Captain of the Port St. Petersburg Zone, Tampa, FL" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0922)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7549. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; USS MISSISSIPPI Commissioning; Pascagoula Harbor and Pascagoula River; Pascagoula, MS" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0333)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7550. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Sturgeon Bay Ship Canal, Sturgeon Bay, WI" ((RIN1625-AA09)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1109)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7551. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Lafourche Bayou, LA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0926)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7552. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Hood Canal, WA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0074)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7553. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eighth Coast Guard District Annual Marine Events and Safety Zones" ((RIN1625-AA00; 1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0286)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7554. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Moving Security Zone Around Escorted Vessels on the Lower Mississippi River Between Mile Marker 90.0 Above Head of Passes to Mile Marker 110.0 Above Head of Passes" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1063)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7555. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; OPSAIL 2012 Connecticut, Niantic Bay, Long Island Sound, Thames River and New London Harbor, New London, CT" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0066)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7556. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events, Swim Event; Lake Gaston, Littleton, NC" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0197)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7557. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Upper Mississippi River, Mile 842.0 to 840.0" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0312)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7558. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events, Temporary Change of Dates for Recurring Marine Events in the Fifth Coast Guard District, Wrightsville Channel; Wrightsville Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0341)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7559. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Battle on the Bay Powerboat Race Atlantic Ocean, Fire Island, NY" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0629)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7560. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; San Francisco Bay Navy Fleetweek Parade of Ships and Blue Angels Demonstration" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0459)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7561. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation and Security Zone: War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration, Port of Boston, MA" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0100)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7562. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Annual Bayview Mackinac Race" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0403)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7563. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; ODBA Draggin' on the Waccamaw, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Bucksport, SC" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0201)), received during adjournment of the

Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7564. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Potomac River, National Harbor Access Channel, MD" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0276)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7565. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Ocean State Tall Ships Festival 2012, Narragansett Bay, RI" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0073)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7566. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation for Marine Events, Chesapeake Bay Workboat Race, Back River, Messick Point; Poquoson, VA" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0169)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7567. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; East Tawas Offshore Gran Prix, Tawas Bay; East Tawas, MI" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0556)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7568. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation and Safety Zones; Marine Events in Captain of the Port Sector Long Island Sound Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00 and RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0111)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7569. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Class E Airspace; Lloydsville, PA and Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Latrobe, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0301)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7570. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" ((RIN1625-AB86)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0306)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7571. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety and Security Zones; OPSAIL 2012 Connecticut, Thames River, New London, CT" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2011-1029)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7572. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OPSAIL 2012 Virginia, Port of Hampton Roads, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00, AA08, AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0174)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7573. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments; Corrections" ((RIN1625-AB86)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0306)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7574. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound, RI" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2009-1131)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7575. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class C Airspace; Colorado Springs, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0564)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7576. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Fort Rucker, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0635)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7577. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Bar Harbor, ME" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1366)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7578. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Quakertown, PA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0386)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7579. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Apopka, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0249)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7580. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes in the Vicinity of Vero Beach, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0621)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7581. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System, Mammoth Cave National Park, Bicycle Routes" (RIN1024-AD80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7582. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Barbara Harder Wedding Fireworks, Lake Erie, Lake View, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0568)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7583. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of VOR Federal Airways V-10, V-12, and V-508 in the Vicinity of Olathe, KS" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0055)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7584. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Jet Routes and VOR Federal Airways; Northeastern United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0622)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7585. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendment; Amdt. No. 3491" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7586. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendment; Amdt. No. 3490" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7587. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (148); Amdt. No. 3488" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7588. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the protection of U. S. personnel abroad (DCN OSS2012-1440) recieved during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7589. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Fort Morgan, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0289)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7590. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Arcadia, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0365)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7591. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Roundtop, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0274)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7592. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Plentywood, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0310)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7593. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Billings, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0316)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7594. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (29); Amdt. No. 3489" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7595. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0185)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7596. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Embraer S.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0423)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7597. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0291)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7598. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0490)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the

Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7599. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0802)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7600. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0748)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7601. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Univair Aircraft Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0360)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7602. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0416)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7603. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Corporation Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0961)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7604. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0766)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7605. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clopyralid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9361-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7606. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bifenthrin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9361-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7607. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred at the Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, Resources and Programs Agency, Resource Services-Washington (RS-W), Operating Agency 22 (OA22) during fiscal years 2005, 2006, and 2007 and was assigned Army case number 11-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7608. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred in the Operation and Maintenance, Army (OMA) appropriation, account 2172020, at the U.S. Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM) during fiscal year 2010 and was assigned Army case number 11-05; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7609. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Assessment of Industrial Base for Night Vision Image Intensification Sensors"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7610. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List; Removal of Person from the Entity List Based on Removal Request; and Implementation of Entity List Annual Review Changes" (RIN0694-AF74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7611. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA): Section 232 Healthcare Facility Insurance Program-Strengthening Accountability and Regulatory Revisions Update" (RIN2502-AJ05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7612. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran as declared in Executive Order 12957; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7613. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Report Pursuant to the Sequestration Transparency Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-155)"; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-7614. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization of a noncompetitive extension of five years to the Department of Energy's (DOE) contract with Battelle Memorial Institute for the management and operation of the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7615. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program" (Docket No. TX-064-FOR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7616. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Montana Regulatory Program" (Docket No. MT-034-FOR), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7617. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Initial Test Program of Condensate and Feedwater Systems for Light-Water Reactors" (Regulatory Guide 1.68.1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7618. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Model Safety Evaluation for Plant-Specific Adoption of Technical Specifications Task Force Traveler TSTF-522, Revision 0, 'Revise Ventilation System Surveillance Requirements to Operate for 10 Hours per Month,' Using the Consolidated Line Item Improvement Process" (NUREG-1430, -1431, -1432, -1433, -1434), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7619. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Priorities List, Final Rule No. 55" (FRL No. 9722-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7620. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards; North Dakota" (FRL No. 9715-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7621. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Florida; New Source Review-Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9728-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7622. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Arkansas; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 Ozone NAAQS and the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS and Interstate Transport Requirements for the 1997 Ozone NAAQS and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS" (FRL No. 9713-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7623. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9357-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7624. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Revisions to the Nevada State Implementation Plan; Stationary Source Permits" (FRL No. 9728-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7625. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Mississippi: New Source Review-Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9728-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7626. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona; Nogales PM10 Nonattainment Area Plan" (FRL No. 9730-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7627. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL No. 9731-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7628. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County: Infrastructure and Interstate Transport Requirements for the 1997 and 2008 Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS" (FRL No. 9728-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7629. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone; Listing of Substitutes for Ozone-Depleting Substances--Fire Suppression and Explosion Protection" (FRL No. 9729-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2071. A bill to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-212).

S. 76. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to investigate and address cancer and disease clusters, including in infants and children (Rept. No. 112-213).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with amendments:

S. 357. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to identify and declare wildlife disease emergencies and to coordinate rapid response to those emergencies, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-214).

S. 1494. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (Rept. No. 112-215).

S. 2156. A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, to set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (Rept. No. 112-216).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2282. A bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017 (Rept. No. 112-217).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 134. A bill to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights (Rept. No. 112-218).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment:

S. 3315. A bill to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office (Rept. No. 112-219).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 3341. A bill to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-220).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 466. A resolution calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 516. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the restitution of or compensation for property seized during the Nazi and Communist eras.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 543. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 645. A bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system.

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1440. A bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 3391. A bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

S. 3566. An original bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers.

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3568. An original bill to create a Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund to support research on diseases impacting the citrus industry, to renew and modify the temporary duty suspensions on certain cotton shirting fabrics, and to modify and extend the Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Con. Res. 50. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. COONS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3553. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 3554. A bill to require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3555. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require Federal agencies to hire veterans, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3556. A bill to provide penalties for email marketing fraud; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3557. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in programs under title IV of such Act from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. 3558. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to preserve the authority of each State to make determinations relating to the State's water quality standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. CONRAD, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3559. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. REED, Mr. PRYOR, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WICKER, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3560. A bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3561. A bill to correct the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06, Topsail, North Carolina; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KERRY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3562. A bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3563. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3564. A bill to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2018 and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HARKIN, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 3565. A bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3566. An original bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers; from the Committee on

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3567. A bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3568. An original bill to create a Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund to support research on diseases impacting the citrus industry, to renew and modify the temporary duty suspensions on certain cotton shirting fabrics, and to modify and extend the Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 3569. A bill to improve the enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3570. A bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. CORKER, and Mr. TOOMEY):

S. 3571. A bill to require the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 3572. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, title 5, United States Code, the Small Business Act, and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide certainty for small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3573. A bill to recognize the primacy of States, provide for the consideration of the economic impact of additional regulations, and provide for standards and requirements relating to certain guidelines and regulations relating to health and the environment; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. COBURN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 3574. A bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 3575. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide equal treatment of LGBT older individuals; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3576. A bill to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 3577. A bill to eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet primary indicators of health, sanitation, and safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 559. A resolution honoring Rear Admiral Jonathan W. Bailey for his lifetime of selfless commitment and exemplary service to the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. Res. 560. A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Maryland Campaign during the Civil War; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. Res. 561. A resolution recognizing National Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to the United States; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 562. A resolution designating the week beginning on September 10, 2012 and ending on September 14, 2012 as "National Health Information Technology Week" to recognize the value of health information technology in improving health quality; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 563. A resolution designating December 3, 2012, as "National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. CASEY):

S. Res. 564. A resolution designating the month of October 2012 as "National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. Res. 565. A resolution expressing support for the designation of October 20, 2012, as the "National Day on Writing"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 566. A resolution designating September 29, 2012, as "National Estuaries Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. Res. 567. A resolution honoring the life and career of George Hickman; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. REID, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. HELLER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BENNET, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COONS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 568. A resolution designating the week beginning September 16, 2012, as "National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ENZI,

Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. Res. 569. A resolution designating the week beginning October 21, 2012, as "National Character Counts Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. Res. 570. A resolution designating November 8, 2012, as "National Parents as Teachers Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 65

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 65, a bill to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 202, supra.

S. 227

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 227, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program.

S. 274

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 274, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand access to medication therapy management services under the Medicare prescription drug program.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 563

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 563, a bill to provide for equal access to COBRA continuation coverage.

S. 751

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 751, a bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to develop a comprehensive national manufacturing strategy, and for other purposes.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 811

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 811, a bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] were added as cosponsors of S. 821, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 891

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 891, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients.

S. 961

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 961, a bill to create the income security conditions and family supports needed to ensure permanency for the Nation's unaccompanied youth, and for other purposes.

S. 996

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 996, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] were added as cosponsors of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1309

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1309, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 1391

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1391, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the disability compensation evaluation procedure of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma, and for other purposes.

S. 1450

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1450, a bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a commercial truck safety program, and for other purposes.

S. 1454

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1454, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions.

S. 1461

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1461, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars.

S. 1782

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1782, a bill to provide for the reduction in unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV, and the promotion of healthy relationships, and for other purposes.

S. 1862

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1862, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and reduce the occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death and to enhance public health activities related to stillbirth.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to

amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 2032

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2032, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers.

S. 2047

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2047, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make demonstration grants to eligible local educational agencies for the purpose of reducing the student-to-school nurse ratio in public elementary schools and secondary schools.

S. 2057

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2057, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs.

S. 2088

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2088, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently double the amount of start-up expenses entrepreneurs can deduct from their taxes.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2192

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2192, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2250

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 2250, a bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2472

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2472, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3239

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] and the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3239, a bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes.

S. 3289

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3289, a bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability.

S. 3310

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3310, a bill to direct the President, in consultation with the Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of Defense, to establish guidelines for United States foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes.

S. 3325

At the request of Mr. BEGICH, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3325, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at 10 institutions of higher education to improve student mental health.

S. 3331

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3331, a bill to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes.

S. 3347

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3347, a bill to require reports on countries with which the United States negotiates trade agreements, to establish terms for future trade agreements, and to enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes.

S. 3391

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3391, a bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS], the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from

Colorado [Mr. BENNET] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3402

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3402, a bill to require the Secretary of Labor to maintain a publicly available list of all employers that relocate a call center overseas, to make such companies ineligible for Federal grants or guaranteed loans, and to require disclosure of the physical location of business agents engaging in customer service communications, and for other purposes.

S. 3407

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] were added as cosponsors of S. 3407, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 3430

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3430, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes.

S. 3461

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 3461, a bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3463

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3463, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries.

S. 3494

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3494, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to qualify formerly homeless individuals who are full-time students for purposes of low income housing tax credit.

S. 3500

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3500, a bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements.

S. 3512

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3512, a bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3523

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3523, a bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend protection to fashion design, and for other purposes.

S. 3525

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. PRYOR], the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] were added as cosponsors of S. 3525, a bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

S. 3527

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3527, a bill to provide for enhanced criminal penalties for individuals who file a SEVP certification petition under false pretenses, to prohibit certain schools from accessing SEVIS or participating in the SEVP and for other purposes.

S. 3536

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3536, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3539

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3539, a bill to encourage the adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics.

S. 3546

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3546, a bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.

S. 3547

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3547, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes.

S. 3551

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE], the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] were added as cosponsors of S. 3551, a bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11-13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 39

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 39, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 50, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial

Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] were added as cosponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 176

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 176, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease.

SENATE RESOLUTION 181

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 181, a resolution designating May 15, 2011, as "National MPS Awareness Day".

SENATE RESOLUTION 232

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 232, a resolution recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 12th anniversary of the campaign by the Chinese Communist Party to suppress the Falun Gong movement, recognizing the Tuidang movement whereby Chinese citizens renounce their ties to the Chinese Communist Party and its affiliates, and calling for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute Falun Gong practitioners.

SENATE RESOLUTION 434

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN], the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 434, a resolution supporting the goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by the year 2025, as articulated in the draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease from the Department of Health and Human Services.

SENATE RESOLUTION 466

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, his name and the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 466, a resolution calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] and the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

SENATE RESOLUTION 556

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. LEE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 556, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that foreign assistance funding to the Governments of Libya and Egypt should be suspended until the President certifies to Congress that both governments are providing proper security at United States embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations.

SENATE RESOLUTION 558

At the request of Mr. HELLER, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 558, a resolution congratulating the athletes from the State of Nevada and throughout the United States who participated in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games as members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled, "Five Years of the America COMPETES Act: Progress, Challenges, and Next Steps."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 2:15 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Homeland Threats and Agency Responses."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on judicial nominations.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Eliminating Waste and Fraud in Medicare: An Examination of Prior Authorization Requirements for Power Mobility Devices."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Hate Crimes and the Threat of Domestic Extremism."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs', Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 19, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Investing in an Effective Federal Workforce."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1775. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraudulent

representations about having received military decorations or medals.

H.R. 6365. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to replace the sequester established by the Budget Control Act of 2011.

H.J. Res. 117. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

At 11:54 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6213. An act to limit further taxpayer exposure from the loan guarantee program established under title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 6213. An act to limit further taxpayer exposure from the loan guarantee program established under title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6365. An act to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to replace the sequester established by the Budget Control Act of 2011; to the Committee on the Budget.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following joint resolution was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.J. Res. 117. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 562) designating the week beginning on September 10, 2012 and ending on September 14, 2012 as "National Health Information Technology Week" to recognize the value of health information technology in improving health quality, submitted today by Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Ms. SNOWE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PHENYLKETONURIA AWARENESS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 563) designating December 3, 2012, as "National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day", submitted today by Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. KERRY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL MEDICINE ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 564) designating the month of October 2012 as "National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month", submitted today by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. CASEY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF "NATIONAL DAY ON WRITING"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 565) expressing support for the designation of October 20, 2012, as the "National Day on Writing", submitted today by Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, and Mr. AKAKA), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL ESTUARIES DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 566) designating September 29, 2012, as "National Estuaries Day", submitted today by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. MENENDEZ), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER OF GEORGE HICKMAN

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 567) honoring the life and career of George Hickman, submitted today by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTIONS WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 568) designating the week beginning September 16, 2012, as "National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week", submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. REID, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. HELLER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BENNET, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COONS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL CHARACTER COUNTS WEEK"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 569) designating the week beginning October 21, 2012, as "National Character Counts Week", submitted today by Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Ms. STABENOW), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PARENTS AS TEACHERS DAY"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 570) designating November 8, 2012, as "National Parents as Teachers Day", submitted today by Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF LODI GYALTSEN GYARI AS SPECIAL ENVOY OF HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 557) honoring the contributions of Lodi Gyaltsen Gyari as Special Envoy of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and in promoting the legitimate rights and aspirations of the Tibetan people.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. PAUL, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. REID objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that the first two hours be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, at 2 p.m. on tomorrow, time for debate pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate on the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117 be concluded; that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution; and that, upon disposition of the vote thereon, the majority leader then be recognized.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:25 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Reverend Dr. Douglas Gerdts, Senior Pastor of First and Central Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 20, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. PAUL, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

The motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution having been agreed to on yesterday,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent, as in executive session, that notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations, en bloc: Gonzalo P. Curiel to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California; Robert J. Shelby to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah; Michael P. Shea to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut; Paul William Grimm to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland; Mark E. Walker to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida; John E. Dowdell to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma; Brian J. Davis to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida; Terrence G. Berg to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan; Jesus D. Bernal to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California; Lorna G. Schofield to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; Frank Paul Geraci, Jr. to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York; Fernando M. Olguin to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California; Matthew W. Brann to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania; Malachy Edward Mannion to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania; Thomas M. Durkin to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; William H. Orrick, III to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California; Jon S. Tigar to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California; that the nominations be confirmed, en bloc; that motions to reconsider be made and laid upon the table, en bloc; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER JOINT RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 117

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider joint resolution H.J. Res. 117.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

The hour of 2 p.m. having arrived,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

Time for debate on the motion to proceed to consider the joint resolution, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, being considered concluded,

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 67, nays... 31

[Rollcall Vote No. 195 Leg.]

YEAS --- 67

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 31

Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coburn, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Lee, Manchin, McCain, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

So the motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CARDIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

The question being on passage of the joint resolution.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the joint resolution, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2844).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 2845).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending joint resolution; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on joint resolution H.J. Res. 117:

HARRY REID, D. INOUYE, PATTY MURRAY, BERNARD SANDERS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, DICK DURBIN, S. WHITEHOUSE, DEBBIE STABENOW, RON WYDEN, MAX BAUCUS, MARK PRYOR, CHRIS COONS, JON TESTER, MICHAEL F. BENNET, KAY R. HAGAN, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BARBARA BOXER.

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2846).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2846) contained in the pending motion by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2847).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2848).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2848 to amendment No. 2847 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2846) contained in the motion to commit the joint resolution to the Committee to Appropriations, with instructions.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for

recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525:

HARRY REID, JON TESTER, JOE MANCHIN, JEANNE SHAHEEN, S. WHITEHOUSE, DEBBIE STABENOW, RON WYDEN, MAX BAUCUS, D. INOUYE, KENT CONRAD, MARK PRYOR, CHRIS COONS, MICHAEL F. BENNET, KAY R. HAGAN, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BEN NELSON.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN LEGISLATION

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that, at 5 p.m. on today, the Senate to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes; that there be two hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mr. PAUL and Mr. KERRY; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill; that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass; and that, if the bill does not so receive 60 yea votes, it then be placed on the calendar.

Mr. MCCONNELL further asked unanimous consent that, following disposition of the aforementioned bill, the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mr. GRAHAM and Mr. PAUL, or their designees; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution; and that if the joint resolution is not passed, it be returned to the calendar.

Mr. MCCONNELL further asked unanimous consent that, following disposition of the aforementioned joint resolution, the Senate resume consideration of joint resolution H.J. Res. 117; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between the two leaders, or their designees; that Mr. COBURN control 15 minutes of the time of the minority; that no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order; that, upon conclusion of debate, the joint resolution be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution; that the joint resolution receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass; and that, following disposition of the joint resolution, the majority leader be recognized.

Mr. REID objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, Mr. CORNYN be recognized to speak for 15 minutes; and that, following the remarks by him, the Senate recess for one hour.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of today,

At 4:08 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed for one hour.

AT 5:08 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR JOINT REFERRAL OF NOMINATION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That the nomination of Keith Kelly, of Montana, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veteran's Employment and Training, received in the Senate from the President on yesterday, be jointly referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent, as in executive session, that notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Treaty Document 112-7, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; that the treaty be considered as having advanced through the various parliamentary stages up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification; that any committee declarations be agreed to as applicable; that after the Senate votes on the question of agreeing to the resolution of ratification, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. LEE objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, September 20, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 3245. A bill to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

S. 3552. A bill to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7630. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fast Track Settlement for TE/GE Taxpayers" (Announcement 2012-34), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7631. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "L and S Industrial and Marine, Inc. United States" (AOD-2012-02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7632. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Integrated Hedging Transactions of Qualifying Debt" (RIN1545-BK98), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7633. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Per Capita Payments from Proceeds of Settlements of Indian Tribal Trust Cases" (Announcement 2012-60), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7634. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Pension Funding Stabilization under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21)" (Notice 2012-61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7635. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update for Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7636. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Property Traded on an Established Market" (RIN1545-BJ71), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7637. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wage Recharacterization" (Rev. Rul. 2012-25), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7638. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure: Examination of Returns and Claims for Refund, Credit, or Abatement; Determination of Tax Liability" (Rev. Proc. 2012-40), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7639. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure Modifying Rev. Proc. 2011-14 and Rev. Proc. 97-27" (Rev. Proc. 2012-39), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7640. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (DCN OSS 2012-1446); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7641. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-121, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7642. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a semiannual report detailing telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba pursuant to Department of the Treasury licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7643. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Department of State, Annual Category Rating Report"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7644. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-079); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7645. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-105); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7646. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-114); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7647. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-119); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7648. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-129); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7649. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-100); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7650. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "D and C Red No. 6 and D and C Red No. 7; Change in Specification; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. FDA-2011-C-0050), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7651. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and

Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Interim Final Rule for the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan Program" (RIN0938-AQ70), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7652. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Assets for Independence Program - Status at the Conclusion of the Eleventh Year"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7653. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Railroad Retirement Board's appropriations request for fiscal year 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7654. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-090); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7655. A communication from the Presiding Governor, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2012 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act submission of its commercial and inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7656. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7657. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments" (FAC 2005-61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7658. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Bid Protest and Appeal" (RIN9000-AM31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7659. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; NAICS and Size Standards" (RIN9000-AM32), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7660. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Delete Outdated FAR Reference to the DoD Industrial Preparedness Program" (RIN9000-AM35), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7661. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement" ((RIN9000-AM18)(FAC 2005-61)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7662. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Section 508 Report to the President and Congress: Accessibility of Federal Electronic and Information Technology"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7663. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7664. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0356)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7665. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0035)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7666. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International, Inc. Global Navigation Satellite Sensor Units" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0758)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7667. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Aircraft Equipped with Rotax Aircraft Engines 912 A Series Engine" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0765)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7668. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP (Type Certificate Previously Held by Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd.) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1164)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7669. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP (Type Certificate Previously Held by Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd.) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0675)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7670. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0329)), received in the Office of the President of the

Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7671. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Embraer S.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1251)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7672. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1089)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7673. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0292)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7674. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International, Inc. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0195)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7675. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0566)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7676. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1165)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7677. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1066)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7678. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1115)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7679. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; WACO Classic Aircraft Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0578)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 11, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7680. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (25); Amdt. No. 3471" (RIN2120-AA65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7681. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Voluntary Licensing of Amateur Rocket Operations" ((RIN2120-AJ84)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0318)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7682. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seaway Regulations and Rules: Periodic Update, Various Categories" (RIN2135-AA30), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7683. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Miscellaneous Post Patent Provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act" (RIN0651-AC66), received during adjournment in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7684. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings and the Office of Economics, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services - 2012 Update" (Docket No. 542), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7685. A communication from the Chief Scientist, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Research Misconduct" (RIN2700-AC84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7686. A communication from the Director, Office of Whistleblower Protection Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for the Handling of Retaliation Complaints Under the Employee Protection Provision of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (STAA), as Amended" (RIN1218-AC36), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7687. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Audit Requirements for Third Party Conformity Assessment Bodies" (RIN3041-AC76), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7688. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Safety Standards for Durable Infant or Toddler Products: Infant Bath Seats and Full-

Size Cribs" (16 CFR Parts 1215 and 1219), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7689. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Westfield, New York)" (MB Docket No. 12-51), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7690. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Television Broadcasting Services; Greenville, North Carolina" (MB Docket No. 12-130; DA 12-1208; RM-11662; DA 12-1208), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7691. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretation of Economically Burdensome Standard; Amendment of Section 79.1 (f) of the Commission's Rules; Video Programming Accessibility, Report and Order, CG Docket No. 11-175" (FCC 12-83), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7692. A communication from the Chief of the Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Sections 15.35 and 15.253 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Operation of Radar Systems in the 76-77 GHz Band; ET Docket No. 11-90, RM-11555; and Amendment of Section 15.253 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Fixed Use of Radar in the 76-77 GHz Band" (FCC 12-72, ET Docket No. 10-28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7693. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform-Mobility Fund" (WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7694. A communication from the Chief of the Broadband Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Facilitating the Use of Microwave for Wireless Backhaul and Other Uses and Providing Additional Flexibility to Broadcast Auxiliary Service and Operational Fixed Microwave Licenses" ((WT Docket No. 10-153)(FCC 12-87)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7695. A communication from the Deputy Division Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intermarried Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform - Mobility Fund" ((RIN3060-AF85)(DA 12-870)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7696. A communication from the Assistant Chief, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Foreign Ownership Policies, First Report and Order on Forbearance" (FCC 12-93), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7697. A communication from the Associate Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Access for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers; AT and T Corporation Petition for Rulemaking to Reform Regulation of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Rates for Interstate Special Access Services" ((RIN3060-AJ80)(FCC 12-92)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 3578. An original bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (Rept. No. 112-221).

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance:

Report to accompany S. 1641, A bill to implement the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement (Rept. No. 112-222).

Report to accompany S. 1642, A bill to implement the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement (Rept. No. 112-223).

Report to accompany S. 1643, A bill to implement the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement (Rept. No. 112-224).

Report to accompany S. 3326, A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-225).

Report to accompany S. 3406, An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-226).

Report to accompany S. 3568, An original bill to create a Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund to support research on diseases impacting the citrus industry, to renew and modify the temporary duty suspensions on certain cotton shirting fabrics, and to modify and extend the Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-227).

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

Report to accompany S. 2389, A bill to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely (Rept. No. 112-228).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 3276, An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-229).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3486. A bill to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3578. An original bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3579. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 3580. A bill to require the Corps of Engineers to preserve the historical integrity of Zoar, Ohio, while carrying out any study relating to or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees, in Zoar, Ohio; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER):

S. 3581. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the credit for carbon dioxide sequestration; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REED:

S. 3582. A bill to improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. KERRY, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3583. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish and carry out a community revitalization program to provide Federal grants to communities for the rehabilitation of critically needed parks, recreational areas, and facilities, the development of improved recreational programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

S. 3584. A bill to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TESTER:

S. 3585. A bill to provide authorities for the appropriate conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other temporary seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies who perform regularly recurring seasonal work to permanent seasonal positions; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 3586. A bill to provide reimbursement under the Medicaid program to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to Medicaid beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3587. A bill to include the Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands in the California Coastal National Monument as a part of the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3588. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to protect and restore the Great Lakes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. REED:

S. 3589. A bill to require the Comptroller of the Currency to establish a pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3590. A bill to amend the Denali Commission Act of 1998 to reauthorize and modify the membership of the Denali Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 3591. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend the deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 3592. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to encourage the use of locally grown food in meal programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 3593. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3594. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3595. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exception from the passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3596. A bill to make the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3597. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3598. A bill to protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crime, to prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and to promote safety for elder adults; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. 3599. A bill to streamline and address overlap in the Federal workforce investment system, steer Federal training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish incentives for accountability through a Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide new access to the National Directory of New Hires, to measure performance and better connect the unemployed to jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 3600. A bill to expand the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3601. A bill to provide tax relief with respect to the Hurricane Isaac disaster area; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 3602. A bill to repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 3603. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Sunrise, Florida, as the "William 'Bill' Kling Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3604. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the implementation of prescriber education programs and to establish requirements relating to the administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities and nursing facilities under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CARPER, Mr. VITTER, Mr. COONS, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. PRYOR, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3605. A bill to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3606. A bill to establish an improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent the introduction and establishment in the United States of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites that are likely to cause harm; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3607. A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 571. A resolution congratulating the Nunaka Valley Little League Junior girls softball team on winning the 2012 Little League Junior Softball World Series; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. TESTER):

S. Res. 572. A resolution designating September 2012 as the "National Month of Voter Registration"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. Res. 573. A resolution designating the third week of January 2013 as "Teen Cancer Awareness Week"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. Res. 574. A resolution calling on the United Nations to take concerted actions against leaders in Iran for their statements calling for the destruction of another United Nations Member State, Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 166

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 166, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory.

S. 306

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 306, a bill to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs.

S. 738

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] were added as cosponsors of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1381

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1381, a bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne disease, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

S. 1423

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1423, a bill to clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers.

S. 1683

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1683, a bill to provide the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the Department of the Treasury with authority to more aggressively enforce trade laws relating to textile and apparel articles, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1796

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1796, a bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program.

S. 1840

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1840, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand and intensify programs of the National Institutes of Health with

respect to translational research and related activities concerning Down syndrome, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1884

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1884, a bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2283

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2283, a bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2374

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2374, a bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3079

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3079, a bill to make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions, and for other purposes.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3250

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] and the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3250, a bill to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes.

S. 3257

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3257, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction.

S. 3289

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3289, a bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO], the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3338, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

S. 3341

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3341, a bill to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, and for other purposes.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, supra.

S. 3430

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3430, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes.

S. 3444

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3444, a bill to require that textile and apparel articles acquired for use by executive agencies be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the United States.

S. 3463

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER], the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3463, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries.

S. 3477

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3477, a bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security.

S. 3494

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN] and the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] were added as cosponsors of S. 3494, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to qualify formerly homeless individuals who are full-time students for purposes of low income housing tax credit.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3525

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3525, a bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

S. 3546

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3546, a bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.

S. 3551

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3551, a bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11-13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes.

S. 3560

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] and the Senator from Illinois [Mr. KIRK] were added as cosponsors of S. 3560, a bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers.

S. 3565

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3565, a bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition.

S. 3567

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Ms. AYOTTE] and the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3567, a bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, her name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 41, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 453

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 453, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities is an important responsibility of the United States, and that a comprehensive approach to expanding and supporting a strong home care workforce and making long-term services and supports affordable and accessible in communities is necessary to uphold the right of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the United States to a dignified quality of life.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. MURRAY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled, "Taking Consumers for a Ride: Business Practices in the Household Goods Moving Industry."

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Water Resources Development Act: Growing the Economy and Protecting Public Safety."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet with the House Committee on Ways and Means during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in HVC-210 of the Capitol Visitor Center, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform and the Tax Treatment of Capital Gains."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Roundtable Discussion: Pension Modernization for a 21st Century Workforce" on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Advancing the Federal-Tribal Relationship through Self-Governance and Self-Determination."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Offshore Profit Shifting and the U.S. Tax Code."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a East Asian and Pacific Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Maritime Territorial Disputes and Sovereignty Issues in Asia."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECURITIES, INSURANCE, AND INVESTMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Computerized Trading: What Should the Rules of the Road Be?"

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:48 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the

House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 733. An act to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers.

H.R. 1461. An act to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights.

H.R. 3319. An act to allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe.

H.R. 3783. An act to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4158. An act to confirm full ownership rights for certain United States astronauts to artifacts from the astronauts' space missions.

H.R. 6060. An act to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2019.

H.R. 6118. An act to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspensions, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

H.R. 6433. An act to make corrections with respect to Food and Drug Administration user fees.

At 1:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2827. An act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to clarify provisions relating to the regulation of municipal advisors, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2903. An act to reauthorize the programs and activities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

H.R. 4124. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to States to streamline State requirements and procedures for veterans with military emergency medical training to become civilian emergency medical technicians.

H.R. 4212. An act to prevent the introduction into commerce of unsafe drywall, to ensure the manufacturer of drywall is readily identifiable, to ensure that problematic drywall removed from homes is not reused, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5044. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any discharge of indebtedness income on education loans of deceased veterans.

H.R. 5910. An act to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5912. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions.

H.R. 5948. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the supervision of fiduciaries of veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to establish a Place of Remembrance at Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6163. An act to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.

H.R. 6296. An act to amend the Small Business Act to provide the interest rate for certain disaster related loans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6324. An act to reduce the number of nonessential vehicles purchased and leased by the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6361. An act to exclude from consideration as income under the United States Housing Act of 1937 payments of pension made under section 1521 of title 38, United States Code, to veterans who are in need of regular aid and attendance, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6368. An act to require the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security to provide a joint report to Congress on the Departments' ability to track, investigate and quantify cross-border violence along the Southwest Border and provide recommendations to Congress on how to accurately track, investigate, and quantify cross-border violence.

H.R. 6375. An act to authorize certain Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility projects, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6410. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for taxpayers making donations with their returns of income tax to the Federal Government to pay down the public debt.

H.R. 6431. An act to provide flexibility with respect to United States support for assistance provided by international financial institutions for Burma, and for other purposes.

At 2:31 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3245. An act to extend by 3 years the authorization of the EB-5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program.

S. 3552. An act to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2827. An act to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to clarify provisions relating to the regulation of municipal advisors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 2903. An act to reauthorize the programs and activities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3319. An act to allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 4124. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to States to streamline State requirements and procedures for veterans with military emergency medical training to become civilian emergency medical technicians; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 4212. To prevent the introduction into commerce of unsafe drywall, to ensure the manufacturer of drywall is readily identifiable, to ensure that problematic drywall removed from homes is not reused, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 5044. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any discharge of indebtedness income on education loans of deceased veterans; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 5948. To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the supervision of fiduciaries of veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to establish a Place of Remembrance at Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 6060. An act to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2019; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6163. An act to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare

diseases or conditions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 6324. An act to reduce the number of nonessential vehicles purchased and leased by the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6361. An act to exclude from consideration as income under the United States Housing Act of 1937 payments of pension made under section 1521 of title 38, United States Code, to veterans who are in need of regular aid and attendance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 6368. To require the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security to provide a joint report to Congress on the Departments' ability to track, investigate and quantify cross-border violence along the Southwest Border and provide recommendations to Congress on how to accurately track, investigate, and quantify cross-border violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3607) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, introduced today by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. VITTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. MERKLEY asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. MERKLEY objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAJORITY LEADER

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER MEDAL OF VALOR REVIEW BOARD

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) announced that the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 107-12, had appointed the following individual as a member of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board: Trevor Whipple of Vermont.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

At 8:21 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 12 noon on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 12 noon, the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3607) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, introduced on yesterday by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. VITTER), and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN LEGISLATION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 11:30 p.m., there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the majority leader and Mr. PAUL, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes, and the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran; that each be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of each in the aforementioned order; that bill S. 3576 receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be passed; and that, if said bill does not so receive 60 yea votes, it be returned to the calendar.

Ordered further, That, following the vote on passage of joint resolution S.J. Res. 41, the Senate resume consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; that the Senate then immediately vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate; that,

if said motion is agreed to, pending amendments to the joint resolution be withdrawn; that the joint resolution be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the joint resolution.

Ordered further, That, following the vote on passage of joint resolution H.J. Res. 117, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to bring to a close debate on joint resolution H.J. Res. 117 is not agreed to, the Senate immediately vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

Ordered further, That, following the vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525, the majority leader be recognized.

Ordered further, That no amendment, motion, or point of order be in order to the aforementioned bills or joint resolutions; that each vote be 10 minutes in duration; and that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate prior to each vote.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. TESTER,

Ordered, That the Senate recess until 11:30 p.m.

RECESS

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

At 6:22 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. PRYOR in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 11:30 p.m.

AT 11:30 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KERRY in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3576

Mr. PAUL asked unanimous consent that it be in order for the Senate to proceed to consider bill S. 3576; that an amendment (Numbered 2849, in the nature of a substitute) be proposed by him, and agreed to; and that the bill, as thus amended, be considered as pursuant to the order of today.

Mr. KERRY objected.

(The following occurred after 12 midnight, being Saturday, September 22, 2012)

PROVIDING LIMITATIONS ON UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3576) to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. PAUL,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 10, nays... 81

[Rollcall Vote No. 196 Leg.]

YEAS --- 10

Crapo, DeMint, Grassley, Lee, Moran, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Shelby, Toomey.

NAYS --- 81

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the bill did not pass.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The bill was returned to the calendar.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING THE NUCLEAR PROGRAM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 41) expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

The question being on passage of the joint resolution.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The joint resolution was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the joint resolution.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 90, nays... 1

[Rollcall Vote No. 197 Leg.]

YEAS --- 90

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 1

Paul.

So it was

Resolved, That the joint resolution do pass; and that the Senate agree to the accompanying preamble.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BILL NELSON in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, September 20, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 117) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 20, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 62, nays... 30

[Rollcall Vote No. 198 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 30

Ayotte, Barrasso, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Lee, Manchin, McCain, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on passage of the joint resolution.

The motion having been agreed to,

The pending motion to commit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2846), and amendments Numbered 2847 and 2848 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2845 to amendment No. 2844 to the joint resolution.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The pending amendments were withdrawn.

The question being on passage of the joint resolution.

The joint resolution was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the joint resolution.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 62, nays... 30

[Rollcall Vote No. 199 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 30

Ayotte, Barrasso, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Lee, Manchin, McCain, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey.

So it was

Resolved, That the joint resolution do pass.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, September 20, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 4089

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525 be withdrawn; that the chair lay before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4089) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; that the bill be read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table.

Mr. REID objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER having laid before the Senate the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525,

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, September 20, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 84, nays... 7

[Rollcall Vote No. 200 Leg.]

YEAS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 7

Blumenthal, DeMint, Kyl, McCain, Menendez, Paul, Reed.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3254

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and that only relevant amendments be in order.

Mr. KYL objected.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

EUROPEAN UNION EMISSIONS TRADING SCHEME PROHIBITION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1956) to require foreign manufacturers of products imported into the United States to establish registered agents in the United States who are authorized to accept service of process against such manufacturers.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. CARDIN) to amend the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 5, by striking all beginning on line 14 through line 2, on page 6, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2859).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. MERKLEY) to further amend the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 5, after line 13, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2860).

The amendment was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7698. A communication from the Associate General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, Rural Services, in the Department of Agriculture received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7699. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred in the Operation and Maintenance, Army (OMA) appropriation, account 2172020, at the U.S. Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM) during fiscal year 2007 and was assigned Army case number 11-04; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7700. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7701. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7702. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7703. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Poland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7704. A communication from the Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Charter of the Consumer Advisory Board; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7705. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction" (RIN0648-XC196), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7706. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska Management Area" (RIN0648-XC205), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7707. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC202), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7708. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries; Closure" (RIN0648-XC166), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7709. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; South Atlantic Snapper-Grouper Fishery; 2012-2013 Accountability Measure and Closure for Recreational Black Sea Bass in the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC133), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7710. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial and Recreational Salmon Fisheries; In-season Actions 4 through 14" (RIN0648-X121), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7711. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Framework Adjustment 6" (RIN0648-BB99), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7712. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Bigeye Tuna Catch Limit in Longline Fisheries for 2012" (RIN0648-BC14), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7713. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7714. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "MOX Fuel Fabrication Feedstock"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7715. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a technical correction for the boundary for the McKenzie Wild and Scenic River in Oregon; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7716. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundaries for the Au Sable, Bear Creek, Manistee, and Pine Rivers in Michigan relative to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7717. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundary for the White Salmon Wild and Scenic River, Oregon relative to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7718. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Procedures for Placement and Monitoring of Work with Federal Agencies Other Than the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Laboratory Work" (Management Directive 11.8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7719. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Phase I project in Miami-Dade County, Florida; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7720. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological Material from Mali" (RIN1515-AD91), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7721. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States - Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement" (RIN1515-AD88), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7722. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Corrections Relating to the Rules of Origin for Goods Imported Under the NAFTA and for Textile and Apparel Products" (CPB Dec. 12-15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7723. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities of the Office of the Medicare Ombudsman; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7724. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (DCN OSS 2012-1472); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7725. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of a proposed permanent export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-096); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7726. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-125); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7727. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-067); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7728. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-059); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7729. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-102); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7730. A joint communication from the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the New START Treaty; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7731. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers at the Hanford Engineer Works in Richland, Washington, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7732. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from Titanium Alloys Manufacturing, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7733. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers at the Clarksville Modification Center, Ft. Campbell, in Clarksville, Tennessee, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7734. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers at the Winchester Engineering and Analytical Center in the Winchester, Massachusetts, to the Special

Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7735. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers at the Medina Modification Center in San Antonio, Texas, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7736. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities and operations of the Public Integrity Section, Criminal Division, and the nationwide federal law enforcement effort against public corruption; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7737. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exempting In-Home Video Telehealth From Copayments" (RIN2900-AO26), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7738. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the management of Arlington National Cemetery; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2467. A bill to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated, on Friday, September 21, 2012:

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3608. A bill to modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3609. A bill to adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 3610. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny the inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 3611. A bill to prohibit executive agencies from procuring merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. COBURN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. RISCH):

S. 3612. A bill to prohibit the payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3613. A bill to promote research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. JOHANNS):

S. 3614. A bill to establish a pilot program to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3615. A bill to enhance national seafood marketing efforts through the creation of a National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, Regional Seafood Marketing Boards and a National Coordinating Committee and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BLUNT, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 3616. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2001 and to permanently reinstate the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 3617. A bill to ensure sufficient sizing of the civilian and contract services workforces of the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 3618. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit the exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 3619. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for outreach, and coordination of services, to veterans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WICKER:

S. 3620. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to clarify provisions relating to the regulation of municipal advisors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 3621. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated, on Saturday, September 22, 2012

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3622. A bill to prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN):

S. 3623. A bill to extend the authorizations of appropriations for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3624. A bill to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State; considered and passed.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3625. A bill to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the

publication requirement applies, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated, on Friday, September 21, 2012:

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 575. A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people, and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated, on Saturday, September 22, 2012:

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 576. A resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the signing of Public Law 87—788, an Act commonly known as the McIntire—Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 577. A resolution honoring the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. BEGICH):

S. Res. 578. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Red Ribbon Week, 2012; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WICKER, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 579. A resolution designating the week of September 24 through September 28, 2012, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. REED, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 580. A resolution designating the week beginning on October 14, 2012, as "National Wildlife Refuge Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. Res. 581. A resolution designating October 26, 2012, as "Day of the Deployed"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. REED, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 582. A resolution recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. Res. 583. A resolution designating September 2012 as "National Preparedness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. Res. 584. A resolution designating October 4, 2012, as "Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico):

S. Res. 585. A resolution recognizing the extraordinary history and heritage of the State of New Mexico, and honoring and commending the State of New Mexico and its people on its centennial anniversary; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. BURR, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 586. A resolution expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Infant Mortality Awareness Month, 2012; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. Res. 587. A resolution supporting "Lights on Afterschool", a national celebration of afterschool programs; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 588. A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people, and condemning the

violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COONS, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. TESTER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. BENNET):

S. Res. 589. A resolution designating November 24, 2012, as "Small Business Saturday" and supporting efforts to increase awareness of the value of locally owned small businesses; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 687

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 687, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 738

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 738, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning.

S. 891

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 891, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients.

S. 1281

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1281, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the transportation of horses in interstate transportation in a motor vehicle containing two or more levels stacked on top of one another.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1366

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1366, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to broaden the special rules for certain governmental plans under section 105(j) to include plans established by political subdivisions.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2013

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2013, a bill to amend title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

S. 2046

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2046, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program and for other purposes.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children.

S. 2160

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2160, a bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN], the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] and the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] were added as cosponsors of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3231

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3231, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service to support effective programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care.

S. 3250

At the request of Mrs. MCCASKILL, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3250, a bill to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] and the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3407

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3407, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the

development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 3461

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3461, a bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3498

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3498, a bill to provide humanitarian assistance and support a democratic transition in Syria, and for other purposes.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3525

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3525, a bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

S. 3526

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3526, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to protect the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3541

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS], the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3541, a bill to amend section 520 of the Housing Act of 1949 to revise the census data and population requirements for areas to be considered as rural areas for purposes of such Act.

S. 3551

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3551, a bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11-13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes.

S. 3555

At the request of Mr. BURR, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] were added as cosponsors of S. 3555, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require Federal agencies to hire veterans, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3562

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3562, a bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

S. 3565

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3565, a bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition.

S. 3574

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3574, a bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines.

S. 3588

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3588, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to protect and restore the Great Lakes.

S. 3601

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3601, a bill to provide tax relief with respect to the Hurricane Isaac disaster area.

S. 3605

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3605, a bill to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 41, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

At the request of Mr. KERRY, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 41, supra.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 50, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

SENATE RESOLUTION 466

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 466, a resolution calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

SENATE RESOLUTION 572

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 572, a resolution designating September 2012 as the "National Month of Voter Registration".

SENATE RESOLUTION 573

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 573, a resolution designating the third week of January 2013 as "Teen Cancer Awareness Week".

SENATE RESOLUTION 574

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 574, a resolution calling on the United Nations to take concerted actions against leaders in Iran for their statements calling for the destruction of another United Nations Member State, Israel.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 118. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

ENABLING ENERGY SAVING INNOVATIONS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4850) to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. BINGAMAN) to amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2861).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR for Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) to further amend the bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2862).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ESTABLISHING A BORDER ENFORCEMENT SECURITY TASK FORCE PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 915) to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AMENDING THE TRADEMARK ACT OF 1946

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6215) to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to correct an error in the provisions relating to remedies for dilution.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILLFISH CONSERVATION ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2706) to prohibit the sale of billfish, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, September 11, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CALLING FOR THE RELEASE FROM PRISON OF FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF UKRAINE YULIA TYMOSHENKO

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 466) calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. DURBIN) to amend the resolution on page 9, by striking line 1 through line 14, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2863).

The amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, to the resolution.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "ROBERT H. JACKSON UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3556) to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the "Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, July 24, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "ALTO LEE ADAMS, SR., UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1791) to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "ROBERT BOOCHEVER UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4347) to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Robert Boochever United States Courthouse", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, July 24, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "JAMES F. BATTIN UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3311) to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse".

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATIVE TO CERTAIN INTERNET ISSUES

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 50) expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PATENT LAW TREATIES IMPLEMENTATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3486) to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

The reported amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS LAND TRANSFER CLARIFICATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3193) to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. AKAKA) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2864, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO UNITED STATES SUPPORT FOR ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR BURMA

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6431) to provide flexibility with respect to United States support for assistance provided by international financial institutions for Burma, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, September 20, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MARK TWAIN COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2453) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. BLUMENTHAL) to amend the bill, by striking certain words and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2865).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

F.D.A. USER FEE CORRECTIONS ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6433) to make corrections with respect to Food and Drug Administration user fees, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, September 20, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONFIRMING FULL OWNERSHIP RIGHTS FOR CERTAIN UNITED STATES ASTRONAUTS TO ARTIFACTS FROM THE ASTRONAUTS' SPACE MISSIONS

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4158) to confirm full ownership rights for certain United States astronauts to artifacts from the astronauts' space missions, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, September 20, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

STRENGTHENING AND FOCUSING ENFORCEMENT TO DETER ORGANIZED STEALING AND ENHANCE SAFETY ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4223) to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

VETERANS AFFAIRS MAJOR CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION AND EXPIRING AUTHORITIES EXTENSION ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6375) to authorize certain Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility projects, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

G.A.O. MANDATES REVISION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3315) to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

The reported amendment was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. LIEBERMAN) to amend the bill on various pages and lines, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2866).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 300

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 300) to prevent abuse of Government charge cards.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 710

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 710) to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill.

COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2838) to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 through 2015, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2867, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER), so as to read: "An Act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2013 through 2014, and for other purposes."

QUADRENNIAL DIPLOMACY AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3341) to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DIVISIONAL REALIGNMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5512) to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REPORTING EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6189) to eliminate unnecessary reporting requirements for unfunded programs under the Office of Justice Programs.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE JUDGMENT FUND DISTRIBUTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 1272) to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK LAND EXCHANGE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2240) to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

NEW YORK CITY NATURAL GAS SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2606) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. BINGAMAN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2869, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CENTURY OF SERVICE COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 2139) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, September 11, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MILITARY COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3624) to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State, introduced on today by Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BEGICH, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. SHERROD BROWN), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INTERNET PUBLICATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3625) to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the publication requirement applies, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF HADASSAH, THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA, INC.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 448) recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM VETERANS DAY"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 472) designating October 7, 2012, as "Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the accompanying preamble.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. ENZI) to amend the preamble, in the fifth whereas clause by striking "nearly 1,800" and inserting in lieu thereof "some 2,000" (being amendment No. 2870).

The amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC TEAMS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 558) congratulating the athletes from the State of Nevada and throughout the United States who participated in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games as members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF "NATIONAL SAVE FOR RETIREMENT WEEK"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 555) supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week," including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 561) recognizing National Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to the United States.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF PUBLIC LAW 87-788, AN ACT COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE MCINTIRE-STENNIS COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 576) celebrating the 50th anniversary of the signing of Public Law 87-788, an Act commonly known as the McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act, submitted today by Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr. WICKER, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. SNOWE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE FIRST SPECIAL SERVICE FORCE, IN RECOGNITION OF ITS SUPERIOR SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 577) honoring the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II, submitted today by Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF RED RIBBON WEEK

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 578) supporting the goals and ideals of Red Ribbon Week, 2012, submitted today by Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. BEGICH), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WEEK"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 579) designating the week of September 24 through September 28, 2012, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week", submitted today by Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WICKER, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CARDIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WEEK"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 580)

designating the week beginning on October 14, 2012, as "National Wildlife Refuge Week", submitted today by Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. TOM UDALL, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. REED, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. COLLINS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "DAY OF THE DEPLOYED"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 581) designating October 26, 2012, as "Day of the Deployed", submitted today by Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. BLUNT), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 582) recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States, submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. REED, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 583) designating September 2012 as "National Preparedness Month", submitted today by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Ms. LANDRIEU), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "JUMPSTART'S READ FOR THE RECORD DAY"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 584) designating October 4, 2012, as "Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day", submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. COCHRAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RECOGNIZING THE EXTRAORDINARY HISTORY AND HERITAGE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 585) recognizing the extraordinary history and heritage of the State of New Mexico, and honoring and commending the State of New Mexico and its people on its centennial anniversary, submitted today by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. TOM UDALL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL INFANT MORTALITY AWARENESS MONTH

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 586) expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Infant Mortality Awareness Month, 2012, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. BURR, and Mr. MENENDEZ), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING "LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 587) supporting "Lights on Afterschool", a national celebration of afterschool programs, submitted today by Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMENDING THE 4 AMERICAN PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO DIED IN THE EMBASSY ATTACK IN BENGHAZI, LIBYA

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 588) commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people, and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi, submitted today by Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr.

BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY"

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 589) designating November 24, 2012, as "Small Business Saturday" and supporting efforts to increase awareness of the value of locally owned small businesses, submitted today by Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ENZI, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COONS, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. TOM UDALL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. TESTER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. BENNET), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That Mr. REID and Mr. LIEBERMAN be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until November 13, 2012.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO REPORT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the recess or adjournment, committees be authorized to "file" legislative and executive reports on Friday, November 2, 2012 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Friday, September 28, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 1 p.m. on Friday, October 5, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 12, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Friday, October 19, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 1 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 30, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Friday, November 2, 2012 for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 2012 for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2012; that, on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that, at 5:30 p.m., time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525 be concluded; and that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to said motion to proceed.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

At 4:03 a.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2012.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 9:30:05 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 25, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 9:30:32 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Friday, September 28, 2012.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

Mr. MARK R. WARNER, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 10:10:07 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, September 28, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK R. WARNER, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WARNER took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 10:10:43 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2012.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012

Mr. MARK BEGICH, from the State of Alaska, called the Senate to order at 11:00:02 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 2, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK BEGICH, a Senator from the State of Alaska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BEGICH took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 11:00:31 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 1 p.m. on Friday, October 5, 2012.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2012

Mr. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, from the State of West Virginia, called the Senate to order at 1:00:05 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 5, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 1:00:36 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 9, 2012.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 11:01:03 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 9, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 11:01:28 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 12, 2012.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2012

Mr. JOSEPH I. LIEBERMAN, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 10:30:03 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOSEPH I. LIEBERMAN, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LIEBERMAN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 10:30:37 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2012.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10:00:05 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 10:00:35 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Friday, October 19, 2012.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 11 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 11:00:31 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2012.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2012

Mr. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, from the State of West Virginia, called the Senate to order at 1:00:05 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 23, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 1:00:38 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 1 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2012.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2012

Mr. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, from the State of West Virginia, called the Senate to order at 1:00:04 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER IV, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 1:00:37 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 30, 2012.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2012

Pursuant to the authority granted by Senate Resolution 296 of the 108th Congress, the majority and minority leaders of the Senate acting jointly, having determined the need for the Senate to convene at a time other than ordered (due to the impending arrival of Hurricane Sandy),

Mr. MARK BEGICH, from the State of Alaska, called the Senate to order at 4 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 30, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK BEGICH, a Senator from the State of Alaska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BEGICH took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 4:00:23 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Friday, November 2, 2012.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2012

Ms. BARBARA A. MIKULSKI, from the State of Maryland, called the Senate to order at 11:00:03 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 2, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BARBARA A. MIKULSKI, a Senator from the State of Maryland, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Ms. MIKULSKI took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 11:00:34 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Mr. HARRY REID, from the State of Nevada, called the Senate to order at 11:01:06 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable HARRY REID, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. REID took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 11:01:58 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Friday, November 9, 2012.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2012

Mr. JEFF BINGAMAN, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 10:00:03 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 9, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF BINGAMAN, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BINGAMAN took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

At 10:00:36 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Saturday, September 22, 2012, until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WEBB led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Saturday, September 22, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill having been agreed to on Saturday, September 22, 2012,

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

VETERANS' COMPENSATION COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4114) to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3525

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3525.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. ROCKEFELLER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 92, nays... 5

[Rollcall Vote No. 201 Leg.]

YEAS --- 92

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 5

Boxer, Coburn, DeMint, Paul, Sessions.

So the motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

SPORTSMEN'S ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. TESTER) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 2875, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2876).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "7 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "6 days" (being amendment No. 2877).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2878).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 2879).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2880).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 2880) contained in the motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 2881).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 2882).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on pending bill S. 3525:

HARRY REID, JON TESTER, KENT CONRAD, JOE MANCHIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, JAY ROCKEFELLER, BEN CARDIN, BEN NELSON, MAX BAUCUS, JEANNE SHAHEEN, MARK PRYOR, CHRIS COONS, AL FRANKEN, AMY KLOBUCHAR, JIM WEBB, MARK R. WARNER, MICHAEL F. BENNET.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2882 to amendment No. 2881 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2880) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 25, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LEWIS of California) has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 300. An act to prevent abuse of Government charge cards.

S. 710. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system.

H.R. 1272. An act to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al., by the United States Court of Federal Claims in the Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1791. An act to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse".

H.R. 2139. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Club International.

H.R. 2240. An act to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2706. An act to prohibit the sale of billfish.

H.R. 3556. An act to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the "Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse".

H.R. 4158. An act to confirm full ownership rights for certain United States astronauts to artifacts from the astronauts' space missions.

H.R. 4223. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4347. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Robert Boochever United States Courthouse".

H.R. 5512. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts.

H.R. 6189. An act to eliminate unnecessary reporting requirements for unfunded programs under the Office of Justice Programs.

H.R. 6215. An act to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to correct an error in the provisions relating to remedies for dilution.

H.R. 6375. An act to authorize certain Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility projects, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6431. An act to provide flexibility with respect to United States support for assistance provided by international financial institutions for Burma, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6433. An act to make corrections with respect to Food and Drug Administration user fees.

H.J. Res. 117. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bills and joint resolution were subsequently signed on September 25, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 28, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 3624. An act to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State.

S. 3625. An act to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the publication requirement applies, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 28, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LEWIS of California) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 3625. An act to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the publication requirement applies, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on September 28, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on October 9, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS of Maryland) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 3624. An act to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on October 9, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. WEBB).

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 300. A bill to prevent abuse of Government charge cards.

S. 710. A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Friday, September 28, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3625. A bill to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the publication requirement applies, and for other purposes.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3624. A bill to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE SUBMITTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of September 22, 2012, the following report of committee was submitted on November 2, 2012:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1998. A bill to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security (Rept. No. 112-230).

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7739. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure to Investor in System-wide and Consolidated Bank Debt Obligations of the Farm Credit System" (RIN3052-AC77), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7740. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of End-Use Certificate Program Requirements" (7 CFR Part 782), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7741. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohibitions Governing Fire" (RIN0596-AD08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7742. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Plum Pox Compensation" ((RIN0579-AD58)(Docket No. APHIS-2011-0004)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7743. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Asian Longhorned Beetle; Quarantined Areas in Massachusetts, Ohio, and New York" (Docket No. APHIS-2012-0003), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7744. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Citrus Greening and Asian Citrus Psyllid; Quarantine and Interstate Movement Regulations" ((RIN0579-AC85)(Docket No. APHIS-2008-0015)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 1, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7745. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation Treatment; Location of Facilities in the Southern United States; Technical Amendment" ((RIN0579-AD35)(Docket No. APHIS-2009-0100)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7746. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agricultural Bioterrorism Protection Act of 2002; Biennial Review and Republication of the Select Agent and Toxin List; Amendments to the Select Agent and Toxin Regulations" ((RIN0579-AD09)(Docket No. APHIS-2009-070)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7747. A communication from the Administrator of the National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program (NOP); Sunset Review (2012) for Nutrient Vitamins and Minerals" ((RIN0581-AD17)(AMS-NOP-10-0083; NOP-10-09IR)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7748. A communication from the Administrator of the National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program (NOP); Amendment to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (Livestock)" ((RIN0581-AD018)(AMS-NOP-11-0063; NOP-11-11FR)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7749. A communication from the Administrator of Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grading and Inspection, General Specifications for Approved Plants and Standards for Grades of Dairy Products; General Specifications for Dairy Plants Approved for USDA Inspection and Grading Service" (AMS-DA-10-0055), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7750. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9362-5), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7751. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alkyl Amines Polyalkoxylates; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9361-7), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7752. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trinexapac-ethyl; Pesticides Tolerances" (FRL No. 9363-4), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7753. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glufosinate ammonium; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9363-6), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7754. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sulfentrazone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9363-3), received

during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7755. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sulfoxaflor; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9361-4), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7756. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Butylate, Clethodim, Dichlorvos, Dicofol, Isopropyl carbanilate, et al.; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 9358-8), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7757. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Buprofezin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9364-9), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7758. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to the Antideficiency Act violation report on United States Special Operations Command case number 09-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7759. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to the Army Antideficiency Act violation report on Army case number 10-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7760. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation of funding for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-7761. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Admiral Kirkland H. Donald, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7762. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Raymond E. Johns, Jr., United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7763. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Douglas M. Fraser, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7764. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Mark P. Hertling, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7765. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Army Industrial Facilities Cooperative Activities with Non-Army Entities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7766. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of two (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7767. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7768. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Department of Defense Report on Pilot Program for Foreign Language Proficiency Training for Reserve Members"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7769. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7770. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7771. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7772. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7773. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AF77), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7774. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Registration as a Municipal Advisor; Required Amendments; and Withdrawal from Temporary Registration" (RIN3235-AK69), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 24, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7775. A communication from the Deputy Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repeal of the Final Rule Imposing Special Measures and Withdrawal of the Findings of Primary Money Laundering Concern Against Myanmar Mayflower Bank and Asia Wealth Bank" (RIN1506-AA63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7776. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of

the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Stress Test" (RIN1557-AD58), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7777. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Short-term Investment Funds" (RIN1557-AD37), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7778. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Guidelines: Market Risk" (RIN7100-AD61 and FRB Docket No. R-1401), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7779. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran as declared in Executive Order 12957; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7780. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Russia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7781. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to India; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7782. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Hong Kong; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7783. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7784. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7785. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency relative to the actions and policies of the Government of Sudan as declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7786. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month report on the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13159 relative to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7787. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to blocking the property of persons contributing to the conflict taking place in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7788. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Financial Research's annual report on activities of the office to date; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7789. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's 2011 Statement on System of Internal Controls, audited financial statements, and Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7790. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Energy's Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management's Annual Financial Reports for the years ending September 30, 2010 and 2011; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7791. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's status report on its rulemaking under section 133 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7792. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System, Saguaro National Park, Bicycling" (RIN1024-AE08), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7793. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electricity Market Transparency Provisions of Section 220 of the Federal Power Act" (RIN1902-AD96), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7794. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Form No. 6" (RIN1902-AE37), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7795. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Design, Inspection, and Testing Criteria for Air Filtration and Adsorption Units of Post-accident Engineered-Safety-Feature Atmosphere Cleanup in Light-Water-Cooled Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.52), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7796. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Regulatory Guide 5.67, 'Material Control and Accounting for Uranium Enrichment Facilities Authorized to Produce Special Nuclear Material of Low Strategic Significance'" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7797. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Staff Position on Dispositioning Boiling-Water Reactor Licensee Noncompliance with Technical Specification Requirements During Operations with a Potential for Draining the Reactor Vessel"

(RIS 2012-11), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7798. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; Oregon" (FRL No. 9722-2), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7799. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Modifications to Renewable Fuel Standard and Diesel Sulfur Programs" (FRL No. 9733-3), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7800. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Kentucky; Approval of Revisions to the Jefferson County Portion of the Kentucky SIP; New Source Review; Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (FRL No. 9734-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7801. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Requirements for Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9735-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7802. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Vermont: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and Tailoring Rule" (FRL No. 9736-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7803. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Washington DC-MD-VA Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9735-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7804. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Idaho: Incorporation by Reference of Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9707-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7805. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Arizona; Prevention of Air Pollution Emergency Episodes" (FRL No. 9713-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7806. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans for Florida, Mississippi, and South Carolina; Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) Transport Requirements for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9738-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7807. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Mississippi; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9738-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7808. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Washington DC-MD-VA Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9735-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7809. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Mississippi; 110(a)-(2)(G) Infrastructure Requirement for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9738-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7810. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Streamlining Amendments to the Plan Approval Regulations" (FRL No. 9738-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7811. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Attainment Demonstration for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Moderate Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9737-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7812. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Implementation Plans; Alabama; Attainment Plan for the Alabama Portion of the Chattanooga 1997 Annual PM2.5 Nonattainment Area" (FRL

No. 9737-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7813. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Nevada State Implementation Plan, Washoe County Air Quality District" (FRL No. 9736-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7814. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the Cumberland Darter, Rush Darter, Yellowcheek Darter, Chucky Madtom, and Laurel Dace" (RIN1018-AX76), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7815. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Species Status for the Alabama Pearlshell, Round Ebonyshell, Southern Kidneyshell, and Choctaw Bean, and Threatened Species Status for the Tapered Pigtoe, Narrow Pigtoe, Southern Sandshell, and Fuzzy Pigtoe, and Designation of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-AW92), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7816. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Endangered Species Status for Coqui Llanero Throughout Its Range and Designation of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-AX68), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7817. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7818. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Final Frameworks for Early-Season Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7819. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Certain Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands for the 2012-13 Early Season" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7820. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Early Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds in the Contiguous United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7821. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Certain Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands for the 2012-13 Late Season" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7822. A communication from the Wildlife Biologist, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Final Frameworks for Late-Season Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations" (RIN1018-AX97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7823. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minerals Management: Adjustments of Cost Recovery Fees" (RIN1004-AE29), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7824. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Preoperational Testing of Instrument and Control Air Systems" (Regulatory Guide 1.68.3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 24, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7825. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Combining Modal Responses and Spatial Components in Seismic Response Analysis" (Regulatory Guide 1.92, Revision 3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7826. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9764-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7827. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Control Technique Guidelines for Plastic Parts, Metal Furniture, Large Appliances, and Miscellaneous Metal Parts" (FRL No. 9731-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7828. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina: Approval of Rocky Mount Motor Vehicle Emissions Budget Update" (FRL No. 9732-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7829. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management

Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Florida 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9734-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7830. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9734-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7831. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Kentucky 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9734-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7832. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; PBR and PTIO" (FRL No. 97), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7833. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; Control Techniques Guidelines and Reasonably Available Control Technology" (FRL No. 9732-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7834. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report listing unconstructed projects, or unconstructed separable elements of projects, that have been authorized but for which no funds have been obligated for planning, design, or construction during the preceding five full fiscal years; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7835. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9740-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7836. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley Nonattainment Area Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard" (FRL No. 9738-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7837. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina Portion of the Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, North Carolina-North Carolina 1997 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reasonable Further Progress Plan" (FRL No. 9741-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7838. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama; Disapproval of 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) Infrastructure Requirement for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9739-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7839. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Portion of York County, South Carolina Within Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, North Carolina-South Carolina 1997 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reasonable Further Progress Plan" (FRL No. 9740-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7840. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9739-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7841. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire; Infrastructure SIPs for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter Standards" (FRL No. 9740-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7842. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Attainment of the 1-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards in the Sacramento Metro Nonattainment Area in California" (FRL No. 9741-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7843. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9739-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7844. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Dakota: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and Tailoring Rule; PM2.5 NSR Implementation Rule" (FRL No. 9742-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7845. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (FRL No. 9738-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7846. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alaska: Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9701-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7847. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9732-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7848. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Greif Packaging, LLC Adjusted Standard" (FRL No. 9733-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7849. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; Nevada; Infrastructure Requirements for Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9739-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7850. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Limited Approval and Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Nevada; Clark County; Stationary Source Permits" (FRL No. 9740-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7851. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - October 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-28), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7852. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Import Restrictions on Archaeological and Ethnological Materials from Guatemala" (RIN1515-AD92), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7853. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Replacement Period for Livestock Sold on Account of Drought in Specified Counties" (Notice 2012-62), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7854. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "RIC Modernization Act Capital Loss Carryforward Effective Date" (Rev. Rul. 2012-29), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7855. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Markets Tax Credit Non-Real Estate Investments" (TD 9600), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7856. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States - Peru Trade Promotion Agreement" (RIN1515-AD79), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7857. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (OSS 2012-1481); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7858. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-113, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7859. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7860. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Operation of the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative and the Tropical Forest Conservation Act 2011 Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7861. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 1002 (P.L. 107-243) and the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (P.L. 102-1) for the April 26, 2012 through June 24, 2012 reporting period; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7862. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Secretary of State's convening of an Accountability Review Board regarding Benghazi, Libya; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7863. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-098); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7864. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-118); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7865. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-117); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7866. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-123); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7867. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-116); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7868. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-112); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7869. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0123 - 2012-0142); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7870. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0143 - 2012-0150); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7871. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-132); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7872. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Department of Labor's 2011 Findings on the Worst Forms of Child Labor"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7873. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7874. A communication from the Chairman of the National Health Care Workforce Commission, transmitting, a report relative to the status of the Commission; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7875. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priorities and Definitions; State Personnel Development Grants" (CFDA No. 84.323A), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7876. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priority; Technical Assistance on State Data Collection, Analysis, and Reporting- - National IDEA Technical Assistance Center on Early Childhood Longitudinal Data Systems" (CFDA No. 84.373Z), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7877. A communication from the Secretary Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation" (RIN1801-AA12), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7878. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Food and Drug Administration's report relative to the Third Review of the Backlog of Postmarketing Requirements and Postmarketing Commitments; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7879. A communication from General Counsel, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Criminal History Check Requirements for AmeriCorps State/National, Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, and Other National Service Programs; Final Rule" (RIN3045-AA56), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7880. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7881. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Possession, Use, and Transfer of Select Agents and Toxins; Biennial Review" (RIN0920-AA34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7882. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wage Methodology for the Temporary Non-Agricultural Employment H-2B Program; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN1205-AB61), received in during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7883. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Cooperative and State Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hawaii State Plan for Occupational Safety and Health" (RIN1218-AC78), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7884. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting,

pursuant to law, a report entitled, "District of Columbia Public Schools Local Schools and Central Office Budget Process Review Consulting Report (Report No. 2) Fiscal Years 2007-2010"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7885. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Review of the District of Columbia's Performance Measurement System"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7886. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Accounts and Operations of ANC 2D for Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7887. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Metropolitan Police Department's Investigations and Preliminary Inquiries Involving First Amendment Activities"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7888. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7889. A communication from the Acting Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Department of Homeland Security Privacy Office 2012 Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7890. A communication from the Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Employee Perceptions of Federal Workplace Violence"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7891. A communication from the Chairman of the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7892. A communication from the Associate Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2011 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7893. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3347-EM in the State of Louisiana having exceeded the $5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7894. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Rewrite of Part 504, Administrative Matters" (RIN3090-AI72), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7895. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Heating, Cooling, and Lighting Standards for Bureau-funded Dormitory Facilities" (RIN1076-AF10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 5, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7896. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2011 Report to Congress on Funding Needs For Contract Support Cost of Self-Determination Awards"; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7897. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an audit of the Garden for the period from January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7898. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2011 Annual Privacy Report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7899. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, transmitting an opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (Senne v. Village of Palatine, IL); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7900. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, transmitting an opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (George v. Junior Achievement of Central Indiana); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7901. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, transmitting an opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (In re: Ganess Maharaj); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7902. A communication from the Acting Chief, Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering Section, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidation of Seizure and Forfeiture Regulations" (RIN1105-AA74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 4, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7903. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Derivation Proceedings" (RIN0651-AC74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 1, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7904. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Middleburg Virginia Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB67), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7905. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Vintage Date Requirements" (RIN1513-AB84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7906. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Inwood Valley Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB83), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7907. A communication from the Chief of Regulation Development, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisher House and Other Temporary Lodging" (RIN2900-AN79), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7908. A communication from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of 30-Day Residency Requirement for Per Diem Payments During an In-Patient Hospital Stay" (RIN2900-AO36), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7909. A communication from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Benefit Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance and Veterans' Group Life Insurance - Slayer's Rule Exclusion" (RIN2900-AN40), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7910. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0264)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7911. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems (Operations) Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0332)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7912. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0336)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7913. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1418)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7914. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Restricted Category Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0739)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7915. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0480)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7916. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0414)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7917. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Glasflugel Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0046)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7918. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1322)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7919. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-0607)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7920. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; HPH s.r.o. Sailplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0598)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2215. A bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-231).

S. 2318. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-232).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 3310. A bill to direct the President, in consultation with the Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of Defense, to establish guidelines for United States foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-233).

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 3331. A bill to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-234).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1268. A bill to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Government by providing for greater interagency experience among national security and homeland security personnel through the development of a national security and homeland security human capital strategy and interagency

rotational service by employees, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-235).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1953. A bill to reauthorize the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, to improve transportation research and development, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-236).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1701. A bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-237).

S. 1950. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve commercial motor vehicle safety and reduce commercial motor vehicle-related accidents and fatalities, to authorize the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-238).

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. 3626. A bill to provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CASEY:

S. Res. 590. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "Children's Grief Awareness Day"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. SHELBY):

S. Res. 591. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Raymond Weeks and his efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 82

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 82, a bill to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs, to repeal the sunset of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with respect to increased dollar limitations for such credit and programs, and to allow the adoption credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final.

S. 202

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the names of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] were added as cosponsors of S. 202, a bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 260

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 260, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 339, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

S. 755

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 755, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past-due.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 821, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1042

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1042, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a Medicare payment option for patients and physicians or practitioners to freely contract, without penalty, for Medicare fee-for-service items and services, while allowing Medicare beneficiaries to use their Medicare benefits.

S. 1171

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1171, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees.

S. 1173

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1173, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. INOUYE, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1269

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1269, a bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1391

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1391, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the disability compensation evaluation procedure of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma, and for other purposes.

S. 1423

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. CRAPO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1423, a bill to clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. AKAKA] were

added as cosponsors of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1770

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1770, a bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

S. 1782

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1782, a bill to provide for the reduction in unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV, and the promotion of healthy relationships, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] and the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] were added as cosponsors of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1916

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1916, a bill to exclude ecosystem component stocks of fish from certain annual catch limits and for other purposes.

S. 2124

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2124, a bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources by the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the dissemination of such materials and resources by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 2259

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2259, a bill to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2012, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3243

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3243, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged in 2011 by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee.

S. 3275

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW], the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] and the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3275, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels, and for other purposes.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3338, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS], the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] and the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] were added as cosponsors of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3407

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3407, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 3427

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3427, a bill to permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit under section 45F of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

S. 3460

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3460, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes.

S. 3477

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3477, a bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security.

S. 3494

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3494, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to qualify formerly homeless individuals who are full-time students for purposes of low income housing tax credit.

S. 3498

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3498, a bill to provide humanitarian assistance and support a democratic transition in Syria, and for other purposes.

S. 3526

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the names of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3526, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to protect the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3550

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr.

DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3550, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to protect students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions of higher education, to provide a waiting period for students to make enrollment decisions, to guard against misrepresentation, to standardize and elevate institutional disclosures, and for other purposes.

S. 3565

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3565, a bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition.

S. 3573

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. MCCONNELL] and the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3573, a bill to recognize the primacy of States, provide for the consideration of the economic impact of additional regulations, and provide for standards and requirements relating to certain guidelines and regulations relating to health and the environment.

S. 3574

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3574, a bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines.

S. 3584

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3584, a bill to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, and for other purposes.

S. 3605

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. BARRASSO] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] were added as cosponsors of S. 3605, a bill to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 19

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 19, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. ROBERTS] and the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 50

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 50, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

SENATE RESOLUTION 543

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 543, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

SENATE RESOLUTION 574

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] and the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 574, a resolution calling on the United Nations to take concerted actions against leaders in Iran for their statements calling for the destruction of another United Nations Member State, Israel.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 13, 2012, at 3 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "National Security Brief on Attacks in Benghazi".

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:22 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3409. An act to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977.

The message also announced that the House passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 743. An act to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 3409. An act to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO BILL S. 743

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the amendment (in the nature of a substitute), received from the House of Representatives for concurrence to the bill (S. 743) to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes.

On motion by Mr. MARK UDALL,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE REGARDING RAYMOND WEEKS AND HIS EFFORTS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF VETERANS DAY

On the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 591) expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Raymond Weeks and his efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day, submitted today by Mr.

SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. SHELBY), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2:30 P.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2:30 p.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" first degree amendments to bill S. 3525 until 4 p.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

At 6:55 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2:30 p.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2012

Mr. BERNARD SANDERS, from the State of Vermont, called the Senate to order at 2:30 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. SANDERS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, November 14, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BERNARD SANDERS, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. SANDERS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ORDER RELATIVE TO MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE ON BILL S. 3414

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, at 4:30 p.m. on today, a motion to proceed to consider the motion to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, be considered made and agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion, upon reconsideration.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3254.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE ON BILL S. 3414

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

A motion to proceed to consider the motion, entered by Mr. REID on Thursday, August 2, 2012, to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill (S. 3414) to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States, was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to reconsider.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The motion to reconsider was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on said bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CASEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Tuesday, July 31, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 31, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 202 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 47

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Merkley,

Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker, Wyden.

So, upon reconsideration, the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having not voted in the affirmative.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7921. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-7922. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trifloxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9360-9), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7923. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residues of Fatty Acids, Tall-Oil, Ethoxylated Propoxylated; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9365-4), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7924. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Calcium Gluconate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9362-4), received during adjournment of Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7925. A communication from the Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Additional Changes to the Schedule of Operations Regulations" (RIN0583-AD48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7926. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed change by the Air Force Reserve to the Fiscal Year 2011 National Guard and Reserve Equipment Appropriation (NGREA) procurement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7927. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Fund Transfers (Regulation E); Final Rule" ((RIN3170-AA15)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0009)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7928. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Fund Transfers (Regulation E)" ((RIN3170-AA15)(Docket No. CFPB-2011-0009)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7929. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defining Larger Participants of the Consumer Debt Collection Market" ((RIN3170-AA30)(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0040)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7930. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessments, Large Bank Pricing" (RIN3064-AD92), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7931. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Stress Test" (RIN3064-AD91), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7932. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Legal Office, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Enforcement of Subsidiary and Affiliate Contracts by the FDIC as Receiver of a Covered Financial Company" (RIN3064-AD94), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7933. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7934. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice and Procedure; Rules of Practice and Procedure in Adjudicatory Proceedings; Civil Money Penalty Inflation Adjustments" (RIN1557-AD61), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7935. A communication from the Associate Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Financial Sanctions Regulations; Final Rule" (31 CFR Part 561), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7936. A communication from the Associate Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Transactions Regulations; Final Rule" (31 CFR Part 560), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7937. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to credit availability for

small business; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7938. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7939. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7940. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia that was declared in Executive Order 12978; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7941. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to blocking the property of persons contributing to the conflict taking place in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7942. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clearing Agency Standards" (RIN3235-AL13), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7943. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Residential Dishwashers, Dehumidifiers, and Conventional Cooking Products" (RIN1904-AC01), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7944. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7945. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9736-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7946. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Reasonably Available Control Technology for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9748-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7947. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Michigan; Determination of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particle Standard for the Detroit-Ann Arbor Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9748-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7948. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Michigan; Detroit-Ann Arbor Nonattainment Area; Fine Particulate Matter 2005 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9748-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7949. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9366-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7950. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation, Exportation, and Transportation of Wildlife; User Fee Exemption Program for Low-Risk Importations and Exportations" (RIN1018-AZ18), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7951. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, an alterations in leased space prospectus for the Southern Maryland U.S. Courthouse in Greenbelt, Maryland; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7952. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Interim Staff Guidance Augmenting NUREG-1537, 'Guidelines for Preparing and Reviewing Applications for the Licensing of Non-Power Reactors,' Parts 1 and 2, for Licensing Radioisotope Production and Aqueoous Homogenous Reactors" (NUREG-1537), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7953. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project (SHEP), Georgia and South Carolina; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7954. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula" (Rev. Rev. Rul. 2012-27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7955. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7956. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 National Pool" (Revenue Procedure 2012-42), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7957. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2013 Cost-of-Living Adjustments to Certain Tax Items" (Rev. Proc. 2012-41), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7958. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012-2013 Special Per Diem Rates" (Notice 2012-63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7959. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Joanne Wandry v. Commissioner" (AOD 2012-05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 2, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7960. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cost Segregation Audit Techniques Guide - Chapter 8 - Electrical Distribution System" (LBandI-4-1012-012), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 2, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7961. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - November 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-30), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7962. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Quality Incentive Program, and Bad Debt Reductions for all Medicare Providers" (RIN0938-AR13), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7963. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2013, Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements, and Survey and Enforcement Requirements for Home Health Agencies" (RIN0938-AR18), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7964. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Unpaid Losses Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2012" (Rev. Proc. 2012-44), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7965. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyazofamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9361-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7966. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 9358-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7967. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluridone; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9366-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7968. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluazinam; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9366-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7969. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9364-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7970. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluoxastrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9365-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7971. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "a-(p-Nonylphenyl)poly(oxypropylene) block polymer with poly(oxyethylene); Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9365-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7972. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Xylenesulfonic Acid, Sodium Salt; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9361-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7973. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dinotefuran; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL No. 9366-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7974. A communication from the Director of Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of 911 Access Loans and Loan Guarantees" (RIN0572-AC24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 2, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7975. A communication from the Director of the Policy Issuances Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Official Establishments to Notify FSIS of Adulterated or Misbranded Product, Prepare and Maintain Written Recall Procedures, and Document Certain Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point System

Plan Reassessments" (RIN0583-AC34), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 1, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7976. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the retirement of Lieutenant General William E. Ward, United States Army; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7977. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a quarterly report entitled, "Acceptance of Contributions for Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7978. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7979. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7980. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7981. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of a national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222 with respect to the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7982. A communication from the Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Student Loan Ombudsman; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7983. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2011/2012 Economic Dispatch and Technological Change"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7984. A communication from the Director of the Sustainability Performance Office, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department's Fleet Alternative Fuel Vehicle Acquisition Report for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1307. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey real property, including improvements, of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Ketchikan, Alaska, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-239).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 183. A bill to clarify the applicability of certain maritime laws with respect to the blowout and explosion of the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon.

S. 692. A bill to improve hurricane preparedness by establishing the National Hurricane Research Initiative, and for other purposes.

S. 911. A bill to establish the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, bipartisan legislation to strengthen public safety and to enhance wireless communications.

S. 1449. A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds for highway safety programs and for other purposes.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1980. A bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures.

S. 2279. A bill to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site, and for other purposes.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2388. A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3627. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 3628. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to raise awareness of, and to educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding, the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3629. A bill to amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act to promote the availability of affordable, clean-burning natural gas to North American markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 3630. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

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

S. Res. 592. A resolution recognizing the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. Res. 593. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should leave no member of the Armed Forces unaccounted for in the withdrawal of forces from Afghanistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 594. A resolution establishing a select committee of the Senate to make a thorough and complete investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding, and the response of the United States Government to, the September 11, 2012, terrorist attacks against the United States consulate and personnel in Benghazi, Libya, and to make recommendations to prevent similar attacks in the future; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 595. A resolution expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COONS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. REED, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. ENZI):

S. Res. 596. A resolution permitting the solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for the relief of victims of Superstorm Sandy; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1131

At the request of Mrs. HAGAN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1131, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to establish and implement a birth defects prevention, risk reduction, and public awareness program.

S. 1832

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1832, a bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] were added as cosponsors of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 1894

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. MENENDEZ] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1894, a bill to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims, and for other purposes.

S. 2074

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2074, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes.

S. 2247

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2247, a bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to improve the functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee, and for other purposes.

S. 3061

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3061, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on women's sports bras of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor.

S. 3062

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3062, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit tank tops of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor.

S. 3063

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3063, a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit garments of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] and the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] were added as cosponsors of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3526

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3526, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to protect the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3562

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 3562, a bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

S. 3565

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3565, a bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition.

S. 3584

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3584, a bill to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, and for other purposes.

S. 3598

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3598, a bill to protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crime, to prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and to promote safety for elder adults.

S. 3608

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3608, a bill to modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of Basel III: Impact of Proposed Capital Rules."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1956. An act to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 6371. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to transfer certain functions from the General Accountability Office to the Department of Labor relating to the processing of claims for the payment of workers who were not paid appropriate wages under certain provisions of such title.

H.R. 6586. An act to extend the application of certain space launch liability provisions through 2014.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended by division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (22 U.S.C. 6901), the Minority Leader re-appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Mr. Michael Wessel of Falls Church, Virginia.

At 4:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2606) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 6371. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to transfer certain functions from the General Accountability Office to the Department of Labor relating to the processing of claims for the payment of workers who were not paid appropriate wages under certain provisions of such title; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

TAKING ESSENTIAL STEPS FOR TESTING ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6118) to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on September 20, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

UNDERTAKING SPAM, SPYWARE, AND FRAUD ENFORCEMENT WITH ENFORCERS BEYOND BORDERS ACT EXTENSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 6131) to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PERMITTING THE SOLICITATION OF DONATIONS IN SENATE BUILDINGS FOR THE RELIEF OF VICTIMS OF SUPERSTORM SANDY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 596) permitting the solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for the relief of victims of Superstorm Sandy, submitted today by Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COONS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. Bill NELSON, Mr. REED, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. ENZI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. ON TOMORROW

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that time following remarks by him be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 9:15 a.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3525.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments to bill S. 3525 until 9:10 a.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:02 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 9 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 15, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of

Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

SPORTSMEN'S ACT

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2882, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2881 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 2880) contained in the motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 2880).

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Monday, November 13, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Monday, November 13, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 84, nays... 12

[Rollcall Vote No. 203 Leg.]

YEAS --- 84

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 12

Boxer, Coburn, Cornyn, DeMint, Kyl, Lautenberg, Lee, Menendez, Paul, Reed, Sessions, Toomey.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources with instructions to report back forthwith with amendment 2880, and amendments Numbered 2881 and 2882 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2879, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2878, proposed by Mr. REID, to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That on Monday, November 26, 2012, it be in order for Mr. SESSIONS, or his designee, to be recognized to raise a point of order under the Congressional Budget Act against amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute); and that it be in order for Mr. REID, or his designee, to make a motion to waive in relation thereto.

Ordered further, That, at 5:30 p.m. on said date, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said motion to waive, if made; that, if said motion is agreed to, amendments Numbered 2876, 2877, 2878, and 2879 be withdrawn; that amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute) be agreed to; that no further amendment or motion be in order prior to a vote on passage of the bill; that the bill, as amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended, without intervening action or debate.

Ordered further, That, if the motion to waive is not agreed to, the majority leader be recognized.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2879 to amendment No. 2878 to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-7985. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2017 and Later Model Year Light-Duty Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards" (FRL No. 9706-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7986. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9731-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7987. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Revisions to Open Burning Regulations" (FRL No. 9732-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on

September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7988. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama: General and Transportation Conformity and New Source Review Prevention of Significant for Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9731-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7989. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland-Revision for the Control of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions from Vehicle Refinishing" (FRL No. 9731-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7990. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Adhesives and Sealants Rule" (FRL No. 9731-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7991. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Revised RD/RA Negotiations Timeline; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7992. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; Determinations of Attainment for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9749-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7993. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Idaho; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9750-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7994. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Reasonably Available Control Technology Update to Address Control Techniques Guidelines Issued in 2006, 2007, and 2008" (FRL No. 9749-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7995. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Requirements for Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review; Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5)" (FRL No. 9747-9), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7996. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan Pesticide Element" (FRL No. 9723-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7997. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District; Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (FRL No. 9726-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7998. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Chemical Manufacturing Area Sources" (FRL No. 9746-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7999. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Indiana; Michigan; Minnesota; Ohio; Wisconsin; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2006 PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Indiana NSR/PSD" (FRL No. 9742-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8000. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Missouri: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 9744-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8001. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Amendments to West Virginia's Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9745-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8002. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Attainment Demonstration for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Moderate Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9746-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8003. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Fredericksburg 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Area Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets" (FRL No. 9746-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8004. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9737-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8005. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the New Source Review (NSR) Program for Particulate Matter Less Than 2.5 Micrometers (PM2.5): Amendment to the Definition of 'Regulated NSR Pollutant' Concerning Condensable Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9742-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8006. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to the New Source Review (NSR) State Implementation Plan (SIP); Antibacksliding of Major NSR SIP Requirements for the One-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS); Major Nonattainment NSR (NNSR) SIP Requirements for the 1997 Eight-Hour Ozone NAAQS; and Major NSR Reform Program" (FRL No. 9743-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8007. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Arizona; Infrastructure Requirements for Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9745-8), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8008. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County: Motor Vehicle Inspection" (FRL No. 9747-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8009. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Arizona State Implementation Plan, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and Maricopa County Air Quality Department" (FRL No. 9740-2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8010. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Deferral for CO2 Emissions from Bioenergy and other Biogenic Sources Under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration Program" (FRL No. 9745-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8011. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; District of Columbia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Washington DC-MD-VA Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9746-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8012. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Determination of Attainment of the One-Hour Ozone Standard for the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester and Manchester Areas" (FRL No. 9744-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8013. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Additional Air Quality Designations for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particle National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9746-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8014. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the South Coast Portion of the California State Implementation Plan, CPV Sentinel Energy Project AB 1318 Tracking System" (FRL No. 9751-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8015. A communication from the Chief of the Recovery and State Grants Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Gray Wolf in Wyoming from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Removal of the Wyoming Wolf Population's Status as an Experimental Population" (RIN1018-AX94), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8016. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Broward County Water Preservation Areas project in Broward and Miami-Dade Counties, Florida; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8017. A communication from the Deputy Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Annual Report of Payment Recapture Audits; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8018. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2012-66), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8019. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs; Electronic Reporting Pilot; Inpatient Rehabilitation

Facilities Quality Reporting Program; Revision to Quality Improvement Organization Regulations" (RIN0938-AR10), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8020. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Salvage Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2012" (Rev. Proc. 2012-45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8021. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule, DME Face-to-Face Encounters, Elimination of the Requirement for Termination of Non-Random Prepayment Complex Medical Review and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2013" (RIN0938-AR11), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8022. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Program; Payments for Services Furnished by Certain Primary Care Physicians and Charges for Vaccine Administration under the Vaccines for Children Program" (RIN0938-AQ63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8023. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 1002 (P.L. 107-243) and the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (P.L. 102-1) for the June 25, 2012 through August 23, 2012 reporting period; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8024. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8025. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-121); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8026. A communication from the Executive Secretary, U. S. Agency for International Development (USAID), a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8027. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the Government of Cuba's compliance with the United States-Cuba September 1994 "Joint Communique" and on the treatment of persons returned to Cuba in accordance with the United States-Cuba May 1995 "Joint Statement"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8028. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of an addendum to a certification of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8029. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period June 1, 2012 through July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8030. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a correspondence from the President of the Lebanese National Assembly; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8031. A communication from the Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, transmitting, a report entitled "Raising the Profile of HIV and AIDS in Your Parliament"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8032. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-140); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8033. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-0138); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8034. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-133); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8035. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-071); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8036. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-146); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8037. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-134); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8038. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-144); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8039. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-136); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8040. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-131); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8041. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-135, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to

Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8042. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-126, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8043. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Ventron Corporation in Beverly, Massachusetts, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8044. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Race to the Top--Early Learning Challenge; Phase 2 Notice of Final Requirements" (RIN1810-AB15), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8045. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8046. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Perkins Loan Program, Federal Family Education Loan Program, and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program" (RIN1840-AD05), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8047. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the completion and release of the Department of Defense (DoD) Agency Financial Report (AFR); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8048. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8049. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8050. A communication from the Director, National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Gallery's Performance and Accountability Report for the year ended September 30, 2011; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8051. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's Fiscal Year 2012 Commercial Activities Inventory and Inherently Governmental Inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8052. A communication from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Quarterly Report for the period through October 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8053. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-467, "Meridian Public Charter School-Harrison Campus Property Tax Exemption Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8054. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-470, "Career and Technical Education Plan Establishment Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8055. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-478, "Verizon Center Graphics and Entertainment Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8056. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-479, "Compassionate Release Authorization Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8057. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-471, "Health Benefits Plan Grievance Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8058. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-473, "District of Columbia School Reform Extension of Time Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8059. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-472, "Cogeneration Equipment Personal Property Tax Exemption Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8060. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-474, "District of Columbia Public Schools Partnership Temporary Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8061. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-468, "Department of Health Functions Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8062. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-469, "District Department of Transportation Bicycle Sharing Fund Temporary Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8063. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 19-480, "Retention Incentives for Chief of Police Cathy L. Lanier Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8064. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on a proposed archival depository for the

Presidential records, artifacts and other historical materials of the George W. Bush administration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 3631. A bill to prohibit and deter the theft of metal, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3632. A bill to amend the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 to provide for the increased purchase of Kosher and Halal food and to modify the labeling of the commodities list under the emergency food assistance program to enable Kosher and Halal food bank operators to identify which commodities to obtain from local food banks; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 3633. A bill to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Anchorage, Alaska, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversion interest to the City; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3634. A bill to require a report on the establishment of a joint Army-Navy storage and preservation facility at the United States Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle, Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3635. A bill to provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. Res. 597. A resolution to permit the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 598. A resolution commending and congratulating the San Francisco Giants for winning the 2012 World Series; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RISCH, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. WARNER, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CASEY, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BURR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. KYL, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. THUNE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. REED, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 599. A resolution expressing vigorous support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and recognizing and strongly supporting its right to act in self-defense to protect its citizens against acts of terrorism; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 60. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 154

At the request of Mr. KOHL, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 154, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to support early college high schools and other dual enrollment programs.

S. 254

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 254, a bill to reduce the rape kit backlog and for other purposes.

S. 629

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 629, a bill to improve hydropower, and for other purposes.

S. 648

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 648, a bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to revise the medical and evaluation criteria for determining disability in a person diagnosed with Huntington's Disease and to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare eligibility for individuals disabled by Huntington's Disease.

S. 1102

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1102, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3338, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

S. 3343

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of

S. 3343, a bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet the applicable ANSI/UL standard by treating that standard as a consumer product safety rule, to encourage States to require the installation of such detectors in homes, and for other purposes.

S. 3407

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3407, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 3538

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3538, a bill to reform laws relating to small public housing agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 3542

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3542, a bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

S. 3567

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3567, a bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 453

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 453, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities is an important responsibility of the United States, and that a comprehensive approach to expanding and supporting a strong home care workforce and making long-term services and supports affordable and accessible in communities is necessary to uphold the right of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the United States to a dignified quality of life.

SENATE RESOLUTION 595

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 595, a resolution expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 15, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 15, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "A Legislative Hearing on the Water Resources Development Act of 2012."

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, to conduct a hearing entitled "Pharmacy Compounding: Implications of the 2012 Meningitis Outbreak" on November 15, 2012, at 9:45 a.m., in room 106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 15, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 15, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "America's Invisible Epidemic: Preventing Elder Financial Abuse."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 10:06 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5934. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to include certain territories and possessions of the United States in the definition of State for the purposes of chapter 114, relating to trafficking in contraband cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.

H.R. 6116. An act to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for direct review by the United States Supreme Court of decisions of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6570. An act to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to consolidate certain CBO reporting requirements.

At 12:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 743. An act to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in non-disclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes.

S. 1956. An act to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2606. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4114. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. BLUMENTHAL).

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 5934. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to include certain territories and possessions of the United States in the definition of State for the purposes of chapter 114, relating to trafficking in contraband cigarettes and smokeless tobacco; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6116. To amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for direct review by the United States Supreme Court of decisions of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

PREMATURITY RESEARCH EXPANSION AND EDUCATION FOR MOTHERS WHO DELIVER INFANTS EARLY REAUTHORIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1440) to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU (for Mr. ALEXANDER) to amend the pending reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 2926).

The amendment was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT AND EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT AMENDMENTS

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6570) to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to consolidate certain CBO reporting requirements, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 490) designating the week of September 16, 2012, as "Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week", reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PERMITTING THE COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, TOYS, FOOD, AND HOUSEWARES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN SENATE BUILDINGS

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 597) to permit the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings, submitted today by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. BURR), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS FOR WINNING THE 2012 WORLD SERIES

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 598) commending and congratulating the San Francisco Giants for winning the 2012 World Series, submitted today by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING VIGOROUS SUPPORT AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO THE WELFARE, SECURITY, AND SURVIVAL OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AS A JEWISH AND DEMOCRATIC STATE

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 599) expressing vigorous support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and recognizing and strongly supporting its right to act in self-defense to protect its citizens against acts of terrorism, submitted today by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RISCH, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. WARNER, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. BILL NELSON, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CASEY, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BURR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. KYL, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. HELLER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. THUNE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. REED, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. LEVIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

On the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution

(S. Con. Res. 60) providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, FOR PRO FORMA SESSIONS, FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 12 noon on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 3 p.m. on Friday, November 23, 2012, for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, November 26, 2012; that on Monday, November 26, 2012, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; and that, following remarks by him, Senators be permitted to speak for 10 minutes each.

Ordered further, That, at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, November 26, 2012, time for debate on the question of passage of bill S. 3525, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be considered concluded; and that the Senate then resume consideration thereof, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that the House has agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 60, the Senate adjourn as pursuant to the provisions of said concurrent resolution until 2 p.m. on Monday, November 26, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. LANDRIEU,

At 6:01 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 9:30:22 a.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 16, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of yesterday,

At 9:30:50 a.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of yesterday, until 12 noon on Tuesday, November 20, 2012.

The Senate subsequently (on today) having received a message from the House of Representatives announcing it had agreed to concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 60,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate stood adjourned, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 60, until 2 p.m. on Monday, November 26, 2012.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2012

Mr. RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, from the State of Connecticut, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 26, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, a Senator from the State of Connecticut, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, November 15, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, November 15, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

SPORTSMEN'S ACT

The motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3525 having been agreed to on Thursday, November 15, 2012,

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill (S. 3525) to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2879, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 2878, proposed by Mr. REID, to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, November 15, 2012,

Mr. SESSIONS raised a point of order, viz, that pending amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute) violates section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. TESTER, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act and section 4(g)(3) of Public Law 111-139, to waive provisions of those Acts and budget resolutions for consideration of amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. TESTER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 50, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 204 Leg.]

YEAS --- 50

Akaka, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. SESSIONS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment not in order.

Whereupon, the amendment No. 2875 (in the nature of a substitute) fell, taking with it amendments Numbered 2876, and 2877 thereto.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2879 to amendment No. 2878 to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That amendment No. 2878 be withdrawn (taking with it amendment No. 2879 thereto); that, time for debate on the bill having concluded, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Senate not vote on passage of the bill; and that the bill be returned to the calendar in status quo.

Ordered further, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, it be in order for the Senate to resume consideration of said bill.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The Secretary of the Senate reported that, on Friday, November 16, 2012, during an adjournment of the Senate, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 743. A bill to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes.

S. 1956. A bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on November 16, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives, announcing that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 60. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2453) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8065. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Internal Control Standards" (RIN3141-AA27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8066. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeal Proceedings Before the Commission" (RIN3141-AA27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8067. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Minimum Technical Standards for Class II Gaming Systems and Equipment" (RIN3141-AA27), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8068. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of Enforcement Action" (RIN3141-AA50), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8069. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Issuance of Investigation Completion Letters" (RIN3141-AA49), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8070. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Management Contracts - Background Investigations" (RIN3141-AA54), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8071. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's activities regarding civil rights era homicides; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8072. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the third quarter of fiscal year 2012 quarterly report of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8073. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of

Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Extension of Temporary Placement of the Methylone Into Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act" (Docket No. DEA-357), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 9, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8074. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Trademark Classification Changes" (RIN0651-AC80), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8075. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, transmitting an opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (Maribel Delrio-Mocci, et al. v. Connolly Properties, Inc.); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8076. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Ancient Lakes of Columbia Valley Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AB85), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8077. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Trustees, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a financial report in accordance with Section 8G(h) of the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8078. A communication from the Deputy Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Benefit Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI) No-Health Period Extension" (RIN2900-AO24), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8079. A communication from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Veterans Benefit Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Statutory Period for Compensation for Certain Disabilities Due to Undiagnosed Illness and Medically Unexplained Chronic Multi-Symptom Illnesses" (RIN2900-AO09), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8080. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2012"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8081. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0677)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8082. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0715)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8083. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0147)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8084. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1093)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8085. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; GA200 (Pty) Ltd Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0946)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8086. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0927)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8087. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Glasflugel Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0046)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8088. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0177)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8089. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0328)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8090. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0266)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8091. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental

Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012; Establishment of a Public Safety Answering Point Do-Not-Call Registry, Report and Order, CG Docket No. 12-129, adopted and released October 17, 2012" (FCC 12-129), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1673. A bill to establish the Office of Agriculture Inspection within the Department of Homeland Security, which shall be headed by the Assistant Commissioner for Agriculture Inspection, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-240).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3636. A bill to provide increased consumer protections for gift cards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3637. A bill to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 3638. A bill to establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. TESTER):

S. Res. 600. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 883

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 883, a bill to authorize National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor free persons and slaves who fought for independence, liberty, and justice for all during the American Revolution.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1350

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1350, a bill to expand the research, prevention, and awareness activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health with respect to pulmonary fibrosis, and for other purposes.

S. 1670

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1670, a bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1993

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1993, a bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.

S. 2124

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2124, a bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources by the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the dissemination of such materials and resources by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families.

S. 2189

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2189, a bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3484

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3484, a bill to amend the S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to provide an exception from the definition of loan originator for certain loans made with respect to manufactured homes, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to modify the definition of a high-cost mortgage, and for other purposes.

S. 3522

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3522, a bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

S. 3539

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3539, a bill to encourage the adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics.

S. 3565

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3565, a bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition.

S. 3614

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3614, a bill to establish a pilot program to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans.

S. 3626

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3626, a bill to provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects, and for other purposes.

S. 3631

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3631, a bill to prohibit and deter the theft of metal, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6156. An act to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILL PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 6156. An act to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes.

CHILD PROTECTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6063) to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes, introduced today by Mr. REID, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. LEVIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. LEVIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

At 7:12 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 27, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes, introduced on yesterday by Mr. REID, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3254.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:24 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3254.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Treaty Document 112-7, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---yeas... 61, nays... 36

[Rollcall Vote No. 205 Leg.]

YEAS --- 61

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 36

Alexander, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8092. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules; Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band; Service Rules for the 698-746; 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands; Fourth Report and Order, FCC 12-61" (FCC 12-61), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8093. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Amateur Service Rules Governing Qualifying Examination Systems and Other Matters, et. al." (FCC 12-121), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8094. A communication from the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementing Public Safety Broadband Provisions of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8095. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Seafood Festival Fireworks Display, Marquette, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0765)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8096. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Tom Lyons Productions Fireworks, Long Island Sound, Sands Point, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0618)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8097. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Boston Harbor's Rock Removal Project, Boston Inner Harbor, Boston, MA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0767)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8098. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Swim Around Charleston, Charleston, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0137)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8099. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Apache Pier Labor Day Fireworks; Myrtle Beach, SC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0727)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8100. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bostock 50th Anniversary Fireworks, Long Island Sound; Manursing Island, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0385)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8101. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Wedding Reception Fireworks at Pier 24, San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0661)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8102. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Cleveland National Air Show, Cleveland, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0814)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8103. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dinotefuran; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9365-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8104. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "1, 4-Dimethylnaphthalene; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9368-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8105. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flonicamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9368-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8106. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Global Strategic Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the obligation and expenditure of funds for the implementation of Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) program activities (DCN OSS-2012-1698); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8107. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the submission of a certification of renewal pertaining to a collection of photographs assembled by the Department of Defense that were taken in the period between September 11, 2001 and January 22, 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8108. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012-2014 Enterprise Housing Goals" (RIN2590-AA49), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8109. A communication from the Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Annual Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8110. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inservice Inspection of Prestressed Concrete Containment Structures with Grouted Tendons" (Regulatory Guide 1.90, Revision 2), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8111. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan; Best Available Retrofit Technology Requirements for Eastman Chemical Company" (FRL No. 9752-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8112. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the Fish and Wildlife Service on reasonably identifiable expenditures for the conservation of endangered and threatened species by Federal and State agencies for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8113. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rate, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2013" (RIN0938-AR16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8114. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Part A Premiums for CY 2013 for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement" (RIN0938-AR15), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8115. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts for CY 2013" (RIN0938-AR14), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8116. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Electronic Health Record Incentive Program - - Stage 2" (RIN0938-AQ84), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 27, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8117. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-149); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8118. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-120, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8119. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Cooperative Threat Reduction Programs (DCN OSS-2012-1697); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8120. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Facility License Notifications and Submissions" (RIN3141-AA48), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 16, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8121. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 19, 2012; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-8122. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report to Congress on the implementation, enforcement, and prosecution of registration requirements under Section 635 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection Act of 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8123. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Perkins Loan Program, Federal Family Education Loan Program, and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program" (RIN1840-AD05), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 15, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8124. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Securities and Exchange Commission's fiscal year 2012 Agency Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8125. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8126. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2012 Agency Financial Report for the Department of the Treasury; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8127. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to its audit and investigative activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8128. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8129. A communication from the Director, National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Gallery's Performance and Accountability Report for the year ended September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8130. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2012 Annual Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8131. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Correction" (RIN0648-BC06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8132. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Lifting Trade Restrictive Measures" (RIN0648-BC16), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8133. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule to Establish Management Measures for the Limited Harvest and Possession of South Atlantic Red Snapper in 2012" (RIN0648-BC32), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8134. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures for 2012-13" (RIN0648-XC089), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8135. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Amendment 11; Correction" (RIN0648-BB44), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8136. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts" (RIN0648-XC176), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8137. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher/Processors Using Trawl Gear in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC211), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8138. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Bluefish Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts" (RIN0648-XC236), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8139. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XC162), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8140. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BC36), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8141. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Scup Fishery; Adjustment to the 2012 Winter II Quota" (RIN0648-XC163), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8142. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; 'Other Flatfish' in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area and Greenland Turbot in the Aleutian Island Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC082), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8143. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Accountability Measures and Commercial Closures for Two Snapper-Grouper Species and Two Snapper-Grouper Species Complexes in the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC132), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8144. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; New Free Trade Agreement-Panama" ((RIN0750-AH79)-(DFARS Case 2012-D044)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8145. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Christopher D. Miller, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8146. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral David J. Venlet, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8147. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral John T. Blake, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8148. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8149. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq that was declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8150. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Republic of Ghana (Ghana); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8151. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8152. A communication from the President of the Federal Financing Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8153. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Debris Removal: Eligibility of Force Account Labor Straight-Time Costs under the Public Assistance Program for Hurricane Sandy" ((44 CFR Part 206)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0004)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8154. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8155. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8156. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Purchase of Certain Debt Securities by Business and Industrial Development Companies Relying on an Investment Company Act Exemption" (RIN3235-AL02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8157. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consumer Lending (Regulation M)" ((RIN3170-AD94)(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0042)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8158. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delayed Implementation of Certain New Mortgage Disclosures" ((RIN3170-AA32)-(Docket No. CFPB-2012-0045)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8159. A communication from the Associate Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Yemen Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 552), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8160. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of

Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending (Regulation Z)" (Docket No. CFPB-2012-0044), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8161. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending (Regulation Z)" (Docket No. CFPB-2012-0043), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8162. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-103); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8163. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-066); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8164. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-113); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8165. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-152); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8166. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-148); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8167. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-137); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8168. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0152 - 2012-0167); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8169. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Performing a Seismic Margin Assessment in Response to the March 2012 Request for Information Letter" (JLD-ISG-2012-04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8170. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Colorado: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 9753-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8171. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Florida; Section 128 and 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) and (G) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Correction" (FRL No. 9754-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8172. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; PBR and PTIO" (FRL No. 9753-7), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8173. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal of Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans and Findings of Failure to Submit Required Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; 1-Hour and 8-Hour Ozone Extreme Area Plan Elements" (FRL No. 9753-4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8174. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley and South Coast; Attainment Plan for the 1997 8-hour Ozone Standards; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 9753-3), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8175. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Authorization of State-initiated Changes and Incorporation by Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9745-1), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8176. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of New Mexico; Regional Haze Rule Requirements for Mandatory Class I Areas" (FRL No. 9755-6), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8177. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2013 Limitations Adjusted As Provided in Section 415(d), etc." (Notice 2012-67), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8178. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Construction, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revising the Exemption for Digger Derricks in the Cranes and Derricks in Construction Standard" (RIN1218-AC75), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2178. A bill to require the Federal Government to expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (Rept. No. 112-241).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. KYL, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 3639. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide secure borders and to give long-term resident youth the ability to contribute to the safety and economic growth of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 3640. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3641. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with regard to research on asthma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. KOHL):

S. 3642. A bill to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. Res. 601. A resolution commending the people of Albania on the 100th anniversary of the declaration of their independence from the Turkish Ottoman Empire on November 28, 1912, and commending Albanians in Albania and Kosovo for protecting and saving the lives of all Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 602. A resolution designating 2012-2013 as the "Year of the Korean War Veteran" and recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 392

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 392, a bill to support and encourage the health and well-being of elementary school and secondary school students by enhancing school physical education and health education.

S. 426

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 426, a bill to strengthen student achievement and graduation rates and prepare young people for college, careers, and citizenship through innovative partnerships that meet the comprehensive needs of children and youth.

S. 1245

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1245, a bill to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the names of the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. UDALL] and the Senator from Hawaii [Mr. INOUYE] were added as cosponsors of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1460

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1460, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. COATS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 2212

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2212, a bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 2474

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2474, a bill to improve the health of minority individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3244

At the request of Mr. FRANKEN, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3244, a bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory.

S. 3430

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3430, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes.

S. 3441

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3441, a bill to provide for the transfer of excess Department of Defense aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities, and for other purposes.

S. 3477

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3477, a bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security.

S. 3512

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] and the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] were added as cosponsors of

S. 3512, a bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels.

S. 3539

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3539, a bill to encourage the adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics.

S. 3542

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Washington [Ms. CANTWELL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3542, a bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

S. 3551

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3551, a bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11-13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes.

S. 3560

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3560, a bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers.

S. 3574

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. CHAMBLISS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3574, a bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines.

S. 3617

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3617, a bill to ensure sufficient sizing of the civilian and contract services workforces of the Department of Defense.

S. 3635

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3635, a bill to provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration.

SENATE RESOLUTION 150

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 150, a resolution calling for the protection of religious minority rights and freedoms in the Arab world.

SENATE RESOLUTION 518

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 518, a resolution congratulating the Southern Baptist Convention for electing Reverend Fred Luter, Jr., as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, acknowledging Reverend Luter's unique role as the first African-American leader of the Southern Baptist Convention, and honoring the commitment of the Southern Baptist Convention to an inclusive faith-based community and society.

SENATE RESOLUTION 599

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Utah [Mr. HATCH] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 599, a resolution expressing vigorous support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and recognizing and strongly supporting its right to act in self-defense to protect its citizens against acts of terrorism.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. HARKIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 27, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Update on Arms Control Matters".

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 27, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

THEFT OF TRADE SECRETS CLARIFICATION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3642) to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996, introduced on today by Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. KOHL), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "YEAR OF THE KOREAN WAR VETERAN"

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 602) designating 2012-2013 as the "Year of the Korean War Veteran" and recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, submitted today by Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MARK UDALL, and Mr. CHAMBLISS), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the majority leader then be recognized; that, following remarks by him, the first hour be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:47 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting

the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 28, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3254

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

The motion was agreed to.

Whereupon,

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. MARK UDALL (for himself, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. COONS, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Ms. COLLINS) to amend the pending bill by striking section 313 (being amendment No. 2985).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, at 2 p.m. on today, the Senate vote in relation to the pending amendment; and that no second-degree amendment be in order thereto.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2985 to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. WEBB, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Mr. CORNYN) to amend the pending bill in title IV, subtitle A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3051).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 2985 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 62, nays... 37

[Rollcall Vote No. 206 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 37

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MANCHIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That Mrs. GILLIBRAND be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 3016); that there be 5 minutes for debate thereon; and that, upon conclusion of debate, Ms. MIKULSKI be recognized to speak for 5 minutes as in morning business.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

On motion by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. CORNYN, and Ms. MIKULSKI) to further amend the pending bill on page 138, by striking all beginning on line 14 through line 20, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3016).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That Mr. KYL be recognized to propose an amendment.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

On motion by Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. WICKER, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CORKER) to further amend the pending bill in title X, subtitle F, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3123).

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. BAUCUS) to further amend the pending bill in

title VII, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3099).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for Mr. LEAHY to propose his amendment No. 2955; that time until 6 p.m. be equally divided and controlled in the usual form for debate; that, at 6 p.m., the Senate vote in relation to the amendment; and that no amendment be in order to the amendment prior to the vote.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was deemed laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. LEAHY to further amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 2955).

Pending debate,

Mr. SESSIONS asked unanimous consent that it be in order for him to propose amendments Numbered 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, and 3011, en bloc.

Mr. LEVIN objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 2955 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---

yeas... 85, nays... 11

[Rollcall Vote No. 207 Leg.]

YEAS --- 85

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

NAYS --- 11

Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, DeMint, Graham, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

DHS AUDIT REQUIREMENT TARGET ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1998) to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8179. A communication from the Chief Information Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Existing Privacy Act - NASA Regulations" (RIN2700-AD86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012 ; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8180. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Updates to Contract Reporting and Central Contractor Registration" (RIN9000-AL99), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8181. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Interagency Acquisitions: Compliance by Nondefense Agencies with Defense Procurement Requirements" (RIN9000-AM36), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8182. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-62; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC2005-62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8183. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-62; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC2005-62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8184. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-62; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC2005-62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8185. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employees Health Benefits Program Coverage for Certain Intermittent Employees" (RIN3206-AM74), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8186. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Assistant Secretary for Management, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Benefit Payments Under Certain

District of Columbia Retirement Plans" (RIN1505-AC02), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8187. A communication from the Director of Management, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8188. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor's Annual Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2012 and the Summary of Performance and Financial Information for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8189. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Semiannual Management Report on the Status of Audits for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8190. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation's Office of Inspector General and the Director's Semiannual Report to Congress on Management Decisions and Final Actions on Office of Inspector General Audit Recommendations for the periods from April 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011 and October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8191. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8192. A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Federal Election Commission Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8193. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Adoption of 2012 North American Industry Classification System for Size Standards" (RIN3245-AG47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-8194. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Health Care and Social Assistance" (RIN3245-AG30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-8195. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Real Estate and Rental and Leasing " (RIN3245-AG28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-8196. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards: Educational Services" (RIN3245-AG29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-8197. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance - Stillborn Child Coverage" (RIN2900-AO30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8198. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Electronic Submission of Payment Request" (RIN2900-AN97), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8199. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules Governing Hearings Before the Agency of Original Jurisdiction and the Board of Veterans' Appeals; Repeal of Prior Rule Change" (RIN2900-AO43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8200. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Minor Editorial Corrections and Clarifications (RRR)" (RIN2137-AE90), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8201. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of 10-Day Agency Discretionary Period in Assigning Unsatisfactory Safety Ratings" (RIN2126-AB55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8202. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1065)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8203. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1408)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8204. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0945)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8205. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No.

FAA-2012-0848)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8206. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0327)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8207. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE SYSTEMS (Operations) Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0489)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8208. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0222)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8209. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1045)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8210. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Costruzioni Aeronautiche Tecnam srl Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-0816)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8211. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1250)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8212. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0645)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8213. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0142)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8214. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0228)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8215. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0079)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8216. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0821)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8217. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Portable Oxygen Concentrators on Board Aircraft" ((RIN2120-AK18)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0928)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8218. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Lakehurst, NJ; Correction" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0456)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8219. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Boise, ID" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1181)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8220. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kerrville, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1399)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8221. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Fort Garland, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0617)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8222. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Circle Town, MT"

((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0539)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8223. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Area Navigation (RNAV) Route Q-62; Northeast United States" ((RIN2120-AA66)-(Docket No. FAA-2011-1407)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8224. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (18); Amdt. No. 3500" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8225. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (123); Amdt. No. 3499" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8226. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (18); Amdt. No. 3498" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8227. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amdt. No. 3497" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8228. A communication from the Deputy Chief Financial Officer and Director for Financial Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalties; Adjustment for Inflation" (RIN0605-AA31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8229. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's eighth annual report on ethanol market concentration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8230. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standard for Infant Swings" (RIN3041-AC90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8231. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Announcing OMB Approval of Information Collection" (RIN0648-BC29), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8232. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; 2006 Consolidated Highly Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan; Amendment 4" (RIN0648-AW83), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8233. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Interim Action; Rule Extension" (RIN0648-BB89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8234. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Snapper-Grouper Management Measures" (RIN0648-BC03), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8235. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Revised Limits on Sea Turtle Interactions in the Hawaii Shallow-set Longline Fishery" (RIN0648-BB84), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8236. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Monitoring and Enforcement Requirements in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Freezer Longline Fleet" (RIN0648-BB67), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8237. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the Herring Savings Areas of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC277), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8238. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fraser River Sockeye Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Orders" (RIN0648-XC222), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8239. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC295), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8240. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the

Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; 'Other Rockfish' in the Aleutian Islands Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC312), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8241. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC301), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8242. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off the West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Whiting and Non-Whiting Allocations; Pacific Whiting Seasons" (RIN0648-XC302), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8243. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial and Recreational Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Actions No. 22 through No. 26" (RIN0648-XC282), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8244. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the awarding of funding made available by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8245. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (6); Amdt. No. 3493" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8246. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (99); Amdt. No. 3492" (RIN2120-AA65), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8247. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Sweetwater, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0829)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8248. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Battle Creek, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1110)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8249. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Lemmon, SD" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0391)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8250. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Tullahoma, TN" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1367)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8251. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Montgomery, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0411)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8252. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Colorado Springs, CO" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1191)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8253. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; 2012 RNC Bridge Security Zones, Captain of the Port St. Petersburg Zone, Tampa, FL" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0707)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8254. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; Certain Dangerous Cargo Vessels, Tampa, FL" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0712)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8255. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation and Safety Zone; America's Cup World Series Regattas, San Francisco Bay; San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00; RIN1625-AA-08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0551)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8256. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW); Wrightsville Beach, NC; Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear River; Wilmington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0193)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8257. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard,

Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, Mile 389.4 to 403.1" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1087)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8258. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Port Huron Float-Down, St. Clair River, Port Huron, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0771)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8259. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Liberty Freedom Swims, Liberty Island, Upper Bay and Hudson River, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0717)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8260. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; America's Cup World Series Regattas, San Francisco Bay, San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0736)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8261. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Head of the Cuyahoga, U.S. Rowing Masters Head Race National Championship, and Dragon Boat Festival, Cuyahoga River, Cleveland, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0569)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8262. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; TriRock San Diego, San Diego Bay, San Diego, Ca" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0800)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8263. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; ESI Ironman 70.3 Augusta Triathlon, Savannah River; Augusta, GA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0574)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8264. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Miami Paddle Challenge, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0722)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8265. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Blue Angels at Kaneohe Bay Air Show, Oahu, Hawaii" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0739)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8266. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Water Main Crossing; Choctawhatchee Bay; Santa Rosa Beach, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0518)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8267. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Chicago Red Bull Flugtag, Lake Michigan, Chicago, IL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0817)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8268. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone for Fireworks Display, Potomac River, National Harbor Access Channel; Oxen Hill, MD" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0818)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8269. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, Mile Marker 35.2 to Mile Marker 35.5 west of Harvey Locks, bank to bank, Lafourche Parish, Larose, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0634), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8270. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; 2012 Ironman US Championship Swim, Hudson River, Fort Lee, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0223)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8271. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Dredge Arthur J, Lake Huron, Lakeport, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0709)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8272. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Milwaukee Air And Water Show, Lake Michigan, Milwaukee, WI" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0688)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8273. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Mississippi River, Mile Marker 291 to 295" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0662)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8274. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Elizabeth River, Eastern Branch, Norfolk, VA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0357)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8275. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Grosse Tete Bayou, Iberville Parish, LA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0115)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8276. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Black Warrior River, AL" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0764)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8277. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Alabama River, AL" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0181)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8278. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Carlin Bayou, LA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0180)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8279. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Tombigbee River, AL" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0179)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8280. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage; Change to Cottonwood Island Anchorage, Columbia River, Oregon and Washington" ((RIN1625-AA01)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0248)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8281. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules; Amdt. No. 502" (RIN2120-AA63), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 2, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8282. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Multiple Firework Displays in Captain of the Port, Puget Sound Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0488)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8283. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Cocoa Beach Air Show, Atlantic Ocean, Cocoa Beach, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0633)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8284. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bay Bridge Load Transfer Safety Zone, San Francisco Bay, San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0706)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8285. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Jet Express Triathlon, Sandusky Bay, Lake Erie, Lakeside, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0072)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8286. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Antique Boat Show, Niagara River, Grand Island, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0043)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8287. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Chicago Air and Water Show, Lake Michigan, Chicago, IL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0773)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8288. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Superior Bay, Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0729)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8289. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone for Fireworks Display, Pamlico and Tar Rivers; Washington, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0494)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 3643. A bill to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission

or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in a security-related position in an executive or managerial capacity is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COATS:

S. 3644. A bill to provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. PORTMAN, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3645. A bill to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers, the National Park Service, and the United States Geological Survey, to lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3646. A bill to require the Department of Defense to develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 833

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 833, a bill to provide grants to States to ensure that all students in the middle grades are taught an academically rigorous curriculum with effective supports so that students complete the middle grades prepared for success in secondary school and postsecondary endeavors, to improve State and district policies and programs relating to the academic achievement of students in the middle grades, to develop and implement effective middle grades models for struggling students, and for other purposes.

S. 1718

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1718, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

S. 1981

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the names of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] and the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] were added as cosponsors of S. 1981, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 3394

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3394, a bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes.

S. 3461

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3461, a bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3560

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3560, a bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers.

S. 3638

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3638, a bill to establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3640

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3640, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 600

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 600, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month.

SENATE RESOLUTION 602

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 602, a resolution designating 2012-2013 as the "Year of the Korean War Veteran" and recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 28, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a nominations hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 28, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold an International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection subcommittee hearing entitled, "Evaluating Current U.S. Global Food Security Efforts and Determining Future U.S. Leadership Opportunities."

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5913. An act to create an independent advisory panel to comprehensively assess the management structure and capabilities related to the Department of Homeland Security and make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the management of the Department.

H.R. 5997. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities.

H.R. 6025. An act to provide for annual reports on the status of operational control of the international land and maritime borders of the United States and unlawful entries, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6328. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 915) to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2453. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

H.R. 6063. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses.

H.R. 6118. An act to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.

H.R. 6131. An act to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6570. An act to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to consolidate certain CBO L reporting requirements.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 5913. An act to create an independent advisory panel to comprehensively assess the management structure and capabilities related to the Department of Homeland Security and make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the management of the Department; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5997. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6025. An act to provide for annual reports on the status of operational control of the international land and maritime borders of the United States and unlawful entries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3254.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:18 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Senior Rabbi of Beth Tzedec Congregation, Toronto, Canada, offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 29, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8290. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of the Commission's Program Access Rules et al" (MB Docket No. 12-68 et al; FCC 12-123), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8291. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area; Amendment 97" (RIN0648-BB18), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8292. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico,

and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 34" (RIN0648-BB72), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8293. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Silky Shark Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB96), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8294. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Monitoring and Enforcement Requirements in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Freezer Longline Fleet; Correction" (RIN0648-BB67), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8295. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Emergency Rule Extension, Closure of the Delmarva Access Area" (RIN0648-BC04), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8296. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Second Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Longline Catcher Processor Subsector of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Non-Pollock Groundfish Fishery" (RIN0648-BB06), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8297. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Amendment 20A" (RIN0648-AY74), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8298. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gulf of Mexico Individual Fishing Quota Programs" (RIN0648-XC227), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8299. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Fishing Year 2012 Days-at-Sea Adjustment for Common Pool Fishery; Announcement of Fishing Year 2011 Sector Annual Catch Entitlement Carryover" (RIN0648-XC168), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8300. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Bluefish Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XC235), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8301. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC224), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8302. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Reopening of the 2012 Commercial Sector for Yellowtail Snapper in the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC229), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8303. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC206), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8304. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC207), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8305. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fisheries Management Plan; Northern Red Hake Quota Harvested" (RIN0648-XC201), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8306. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Vermilion Snapper" (RIN0648-XC134), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8307. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial and Recreational Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Actions No. 15 through No. 21" (RIN0648-XC223), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8308. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC278), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8309. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Sub-ACL (Annual Catch Limit) Harvested for Management Area 3" (RIN0648-XC157), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8310. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 - 2013 Accountability Measure and Closure for Commercial Black Sea Bass in the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC152), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8311. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC270), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8312. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC271), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8313. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Bering Sea Subarea of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC320), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8314. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Gag and South Atlantic Shallow-Water Grouper" (RIN0648-XC135), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8315. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Adjustment to the Atlantic Herring Management Area 1A Sub-Annual Catch Limit" (RIN0648-XC290), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8316. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC324), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8317. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC204), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8318. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Arrowtooth Flounder in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC129), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8319. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Pot Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC323), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8320. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC319), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8321. A communication from the Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU)" (RIN0524-AA39), received during adjournment in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 16, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8322. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenpropathrin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9366-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8323. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, five (5) Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending September 2012; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8324. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AF80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8325. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting,

pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Yemen that was originally declared in Executive Order 13611 on May 16, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8326. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health and Safety Data Reporting; Addition of Certain Chemicals" (RIN2070-AJ89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8327. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; Determinations of Attainment for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9757-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8328. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley United Air Pollution Control District (SJVUAPCD) and South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)" (FRL No. 9737-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8329. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (SJVUAPCD)" (FRL No. 9730-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8330. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Allegheny County Incorporation by Reference of Pennsylvania's Consumer Products Regulations" (FRL No. 9755-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8331. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Control of Stationary Generator Emissions" (FRL No. 9754-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8332. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania, Allegheny County Incorporation by Reference of Pennsylvania's Control of NOx Emissions from Glass Melting Furnaces" (FRL No. 9755-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8333. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Florida; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9755-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8334. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; City of Albuquerque - Bernalillo County, New Mexico; Interstate Transport Affecting Visibility and Regional Haze Rule Requirements for Mandatory Class I Areas" (FRL No. 9755-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8335. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Revenue Procedure 2007-44" (Rev. Proc. 2012-50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8336. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Regulations to be Issued Regarding the Deduction and Capitalization of Expenditures Related to Tangible Property" (Notice 2012-73), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8337. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - December 2012" (Rev. Rul. 2012-31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8338. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-139, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8339. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-155, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8340. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-135); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8341. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-150); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8342. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-127); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8343. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-092); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8344. A communication from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updating OSHA Standards Based on National Consensus Standards; Head Protection" (RIN1218-AC65), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8345. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Prevention and Reduction of Underage Drinking"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8346. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8347. A communication from the Administrator of the Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012, through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8348. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities and operations of the Public Integrity Section, Criminal Division, and the nationwide federal law enforcement effort against public corruption; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8349. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Authorization for non-VA Medical Services" (RIN2900-AO47), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8350. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class B Airspace; Salt Lake City, Utah" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0438)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8351. A communication from the Program Analyst, Financial Operations Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2012" (FCC 12-116), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8352. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Port Huron Offshore Gran Prix, St. Clair River; Port Huron, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00; RIN1625-AA-08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0700)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8353. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations for Marine Events, Wrightsville Channel; Wrightsville Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00; RIN1625-AA-08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0482)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8354. A communication from the Secretary, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims" (16 CFR Part 260), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8355. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Transportation's fiscal year 2012 annual report; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8356. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Fundamental Properties of Asphalts and Modified Asphalts - III"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8357. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cross Waivers of Liability Clauses" (RIN2700-AD55), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8358. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commercial Acquisition; Anchor Tenancy" (RIN2700-AD64), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8359. A communication from the Inspector General of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, an external peer review report on the Commission's audit activities; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8360. A communication from the Secretary, Bureau of Trade Affairs, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure" (RIN3072-AC43), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8361. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters" ((RIN1625-AA32)(Docket No. USCG-2012-10486)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8362. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Deadline to Amend for Section 436" (Notice 2012-70), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 26, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8363. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice" (16 CFR Parts 2 and 4), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8364. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Private Land Mobile Radio Rules" (FCC 12-114), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

October 26, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8365. A communication from the Chief of the Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 27 of the Commission's Rules to Govern the Operation of Wireless Communications Services in the 2.3 GHz Band; WT Docket No. 07-293; Establishment of Rules and Policies for the Digital Audio Radio Satellite Service in the 2310-2360 MHz Frequency Band; IIB Docket No. 95-91" (FCC 12-130), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8366. A communication from the Chief of the Satellite Division, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of 2006 Biennial Regulatory Review - Revision of Part 25" (FCC 12-116), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8367. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Randsburg, California)" (MB Docket No. 12-177), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8368. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment Rule" (Docket No. EP 716 - - Board Decision 42595), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8369. A communication from the Office Director of the National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of Fagatele Bay National Marine Sanctuary, Regulatory Changes, and Sanctuary Name Change" (RIN0648-BA24), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 16, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8370. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Standard for Play Yards" (RIN3041-AC92), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8371. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Telemarketing Sales Rules" (RIN3084-AB19), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8372. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) 2013-2017"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8373. A communication from the Chief of the Government Affairs Division, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual submission regarding agency compliance with the Federal Manager's Financial Integrity Act and revised Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-123; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8374. A communication from the General Counsel, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice in Air Safety Proceedings" (Docket No. NTSB-GC-2011-0001), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

H.R. 2471. A bill to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3647. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve and enhance the capabilities of the Armed Forces to prevent and respond to sexual assault and sexual harassment in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 3648. A bill to exclude from gross income for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 any payments made from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to the victims of the tragic event at the Century 16 Cinema in Aurora, Colorado, on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 3649. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BENNET, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 3650. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Res. 603. A resolution designating the week of November 26 through November 30, 2012, as National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON,

Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 604. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Warren B. Rudman, former United States Senator for the State of New Hampshire; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1616

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes.

S. 1696

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1696, a bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.

S. 1728

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1728, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service.

S. 1908

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1908, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organization, and for other purposes.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II.

S. 2234

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2234, a bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Idaho [Mr. RISCH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3487

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3487, a bill to provide for auditable financial statements for the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

S. 3616

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of S. 3616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2001 and to permanently reinstate the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2010, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

SENATE RESOLUTION 453

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 453, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities is an important responsibility of the United States, and that a comprehensive approach to expanding and supporting a strong home care workforce and making long-term services and supports affordable and accessible in communities is necessary to uphold the right of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the United States to a dignified quality of life.

SENATE RESOLUTION 518

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 518, a resolution congratulating the Southern Baptist Convention for electing Reverend Fred Luter, Jr., as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, acknowledging Reverend Luter's unique role as the first African-American leader of the Southern Baptist Convention, and honoring the commitment of the Southern Baptist Convention to an inclusive faith-based community and society.

SENATE RESOLUTION 595

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY], the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. JOHNSON], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN], the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI], the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN], the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE], the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY] and the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 595, a resolution expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate office building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Sandy and Its Impacts: A Local Perspective."

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Reclaiming Our Image and Identity for the Next Seven Generations."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on November 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 432 Russell Senate Office building to conduct a hearing entitled "Creating Jobs and Growing the Economy: Legislative Proposals to Strengthen the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on November 29, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:22 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2338. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office".

H.R. 3892. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office".

H.R. 3912. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building".

H.R. 5738. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex".

H.R. 5788. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office".

H.R. 5954. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 6374. An act to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 180 Martin Drive in Carrollton, Georgia, as the "Trinka Davis Veterans Village".

H.R. 6604. An act to designate the federal building currently known as Federal Office Building 8, located at 200 C Street Southwest in the District of Columbia, as the "Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building".

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 2338. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3892. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3912. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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H.R. 5788. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5954. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6374. An act to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 180 Martin Drive in Carrollton, Georgia, as the "Trinka Davis Veterans Village"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, proposed by Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. WICKER, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CORKER), to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated, each was agreed to: Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. BOOZMAN), amendment No. 2888; Mr. MANCHIN, amendment No. 2924; Mr. WEBB, amendment No. 2949; Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI), amendment No. 2960; Mr. SESSIONS, amendment No. 2963; Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS), amendment No. 2969; Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. BAUCUS), amendment No. 2991; Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. BAUCUS), amendment No. 3083.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That an amendment (Numbered 3158) be the next proposed; that, once the amendment has been proposed, it be in order for Mrs. HAGAN, or her designee, to propose her amendment No. 3095; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for concurrent debate between the chairman and ranking member, or their designees; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the foregoing order; and that no amendment be in order to either amendment prior to its vote.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Mr. MANCHIN) to further amend the pending bill in title X,

subtitle H, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3158).

On motion by Mr. CORNYN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. MARK UDALL) to further amend the pending bill by striking section 2823 (being amendment No. 3095).

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. COONS, Mr. TOM UDALL, and Mr. TESTER be added as cosponsors of the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3095 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3158 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 95, nays... 0

[Rollcall Vote No. 208 Leg.]

YEAS --- 95

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. WHITEHOUSE to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3095 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, following the vote, Mr. BAUCUS be recognized to speak for 10 minutes; and that, following remarks by him, amendments Numbered 3096 and 2995 be the next amendments in order to be proposed.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3095 to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 54, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 209 Leg.]

YEAS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. LEE, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) to further amend the pending bill in title XII, subtitle B, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3096).

Mr. MERKLEY, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3096, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. SHERROD BROWN) to further amend the pending bill in title X, subtitle E, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2995).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3096, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines, on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was agreed to: Mr. WEBB, amendment No. 2948; Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), amendment No. 2962; Mr. INHOFE, amendment No. 2971; Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. ENZI, and Mrs. MCCASKILL), amendment No. 2986; Mrs. MURRAY, amendment No. 2989; Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Ms. LANDRIEU), amendment No. 3085; Mr. COBURN, amendment No. 3110; Mr. MANCHIN, amendment No. 3166; and Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. DURBIN), amendment No. 2981.

A motion to reconsider, en bloc, was made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3096, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Mr. LEVIN asked unanimous consent that Mr. WHITEHOUSE be recognized to propose an amendment; and that, upon disposition of said amendment, Mr. COBURN be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 3109).

Mr. MCCAIN objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3096, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 62, nays... 33

[Rollcall Vote No. 210 Leg.]

YEAS --- 62

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 33

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Hatch, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lieberman, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. TESTER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mrs. MCCASKILL) to further amend the pending bill in title VIII, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3124).

Mr. BLUMENTHAL, by unanimous consent, modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3124, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. INHOFE to further amend the pending bill in title X, subtitle H, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2972).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for Mrs. GILLIBRAND to propose amendment No. 3058; and that there be 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mrs. GILLIBRAND and Mr. COBURN.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

On motion by Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. RUBIO) to further amend the pending bill in title VII, subtitle A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3058).

Mrs. GILLIBRAND, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3058, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 66, nays... 29

[Rollcall Vote No. 211 Leg.]

YEAS --- 66

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hutchison, Inouye, Isakson, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 29

Alexander, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Hoeven, Inhofe, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Risch, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. AKAKA) to further amend the pending bill in title V, subtitle F, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 2956).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. PORTMAN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for Mr. WHITEHOUSE to propose amendment No. 3180; and that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate thereon between Mr. WHITEHOUSE and Mr. COBURN.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. RISCH) to further amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3180).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for amendment No. 3090 to be proposed; that the amendment be modified, and agreed to; that, upon disposition of said amendment, as modified, it be in order for amendments Numbered 3245 and 3018 to be proposed; that there be 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on amendment No. 3245; that, upon conclusion of debate on said amendment, there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on amendment No. 3018; that, at 9:30 p.m., the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the order proposed; and that no amendment be in order to either amendment prior to the vote.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. LEVIN for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. COONS, and Mr. CASEY) to further amend the pending bill, in division A, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3090).

Pursuant to the order of today,

The amendment was modified.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3090, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and line on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was agreed to: Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. TESTER), amendment No. 2929; Mrs. MCCASKILL, amendment No. 2942; Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. COBURN), amendment No. 3230; Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE), amendment No. 2966; Mr. INHOFE, amendment No. 2973; Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. MANCHIN), amendment No. 2980; Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. BEGICH), amendment No. 2994; Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3059; Mr. INHOFE, amendment No. 3072; Mr. VITTER, amendment No. 3086; Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. AYOTTE), amendment No. 3098; Mr. COBURN, amendment No. 3186.

A motion to reconsider, en bloc, was made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Ms. AYOTTE (for herself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) to further amend the pending bill, in title X, subtitle D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3245).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for Mr. INHOFE to propose an amendment (Numbered 3201).

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. INHOFE for Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. INHOFE) to further amend the pending bill, in title XII, subtitle D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3201).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. INHOFE,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3245 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. LEE, Mr. COONS, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. PAUL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KIRK, Mr. TESTER, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. HELLER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. WEBB, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER) to further amend the pending bill, in title XII, subtitle D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3018).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That Senators be authorized to "file" first-degree amendments to pending bill S. 3254 until 9:45 p.m. on today.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3018 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. INHOFE) to further amend the pending bill, in title XII, subtitle D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3199).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. INHOFE,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3018 to the bill, as amended.

The hour of 9:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3245 to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 54, nays... 41

[Rollcall Vote No. 212 Leg.]

YEAS --- 54

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Landrieu, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 41

Akaka, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Whitehouse.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. REID to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. BOXER,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3018 to the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN asked unanimous consent that, on tomorrow, following the prayer and pledge, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3254; that the following amendments next be proposed: amendment No. 3009,

intended to be proposed by Mr. SESSIONS; amendment No. 3025, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN; amendment No. 3232, intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ; amendment No. 3073, intended to be proposed by Mr. BILL NELSON; and amendment No. 3254, intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN.

Mr. SCHUMER objected.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3018 to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 67, nays... 29

[Rollcall Vote No. 213 Leg.]

YEAS --- 67

Akaka, Alexander, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coburn, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (FL), Paul, Reed, Reid, Risch, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse.

NAYS --- 29

Ayotte, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Cornyn, Grassley, Hatch, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McConnell, Nelson (NE), Portman, Pryor, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN asked unanimous consent that, on tomorrow, following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3254; and that the following amendments next be proposed: amendment No. 3009, intended to be proposed by Mr. SESSIONS; amendment No. 3025, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN; amendment No. 3232, intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ; and amendment No. 3073, intended to be proposed by Mr. BILL NELSON.

Mr. COBURN objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That it be in order for the following amendments to be proposed:

Amendment No. 3009, intended to be proposed by Mr. SESSIONS;

Amendment No. 3025, intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN;

Amendment No. 3232, intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ; and

Amendment No. 3073, intended to be proposed by Mr. BILL NELSON.

Ordered further, That, at 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; and that no amendment be in order to the amendments prior to the vote.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was agreed to; Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. TOM UDALL, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. TESTER, Ms. COLLINS, My WYDEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. BEGICH), amendment No. 2940; Mr. SCOTT BROWN, amendment No. 3036; Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3064; Mr. LEVIN, amendment No. 3114; Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. COONS), amendment No. 3193; Mr. RISCH, amendment No. 3213; Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. BILL NELSON), amendment No. 3220; Mr. JOHANNS, amendment No. 3222; Mr. COBURN, amendment No. 3237; Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. KERRY), amendment No. 3243; Mr. LIEBERMAN, amendment No. 3256; Mr. CORNYN, amendment No. 3260; Mr. MCCAIN, amendment No. 3261; Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. HELLER), amendment No. 3271; Mr. WEBB, amendment No. 3275 (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. MCCAIN); and Mr. BEN NELSON (for himself and Mr. KIRK), amendment No. 3279.

A motion to reconsider, en bloc, was made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. CASEY) to further amend the pending bill, in title XII, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3232).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That amendment No. 3199, agreed to on today, be modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3232 to the bill, as amended.

NO-HASSLE FLYING ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3542) to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN (for Ms. KLOBUCHAR) to amend the pending bill on page 3, lines 8 through 10, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 3286).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 600) supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the accompanying preamble.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN (for Mrs. SHAHEEN) to amend the preamble in various clauses by striking certain words and sums, and inserting other words and sums (being amendment No. 3287).

The amendment was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING NATIONAL NURSE-MANAGED HEALTH CLINIC WEEK

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 603) designating the week of November 26 through November 30, 2012, as National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week, submitted today by Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE WARREN B. RUDMAN, FORMER UNITED STATES SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 604) relative to the death of the Honorable Warren B. Rudman, former United States Senator for the State of New Hampshire, submitted today by Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDER FOR RECOGNITION OF RETIRING SENATORS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the retiring Senators be recognized to speak to deliver farewell addresses during the following times on the following dates: from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2012; from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 6, 2012; and from 12 noon until 1 p.m. on Wednesday, December 12, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:15 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:15 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 3254.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

At 11:37 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to the provisions of resolution S. Res. 604, as a further mark of respect for the late Senator Warren B. Rudman, from the State of New Hampshire, until 9:15 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 9:15 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, November 30, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3232, proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. CASEY), to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. WEBB, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Ms. AYOTTE) to further amend the pending bill in title XII, subtitle B, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3009).

After debate,

The amendment was agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3232 to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mrs. MURRAY) to further amend the pending bill by striking section 341, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3025).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 41, nays... 53

[Rollcall Vote No. 214 Leg.]

YEAS --- 41

Akaka, Begich, Blumenthal, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Kerry, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lieberman, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb.

NAYS --- 53

Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Levin, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the amendment.

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3232 to the bill, as amended.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MENENDEZ,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 94, nays... 0

[Rollcall Vote No. 215 Leg.]

YEAS --- 94

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, proposed by Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. WICKER, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CORKER), to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

On motion by Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. COONS, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. CASEY) to further amend the pending bill in title VI, subtitle D, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3073).

After debate,

Mr. CORKER raised a point of order, viz, that pending amendment No. 3073 violates section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. BILL NELSON, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act to waive provisions of the Act and law for consideration of the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. BILL NELSON,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 58, nays... 34

[Rollcall Vote No. 216 Leg.]

YEAS --- 58

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Inouye, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

NAYS --- 34

Ayotte, Barrasso, Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote disagreeing to the motion.

On motion by Mr. TOM UDALL,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. CORKER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COONS in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the amendment not in order.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123 to the bill, as amended.

Mr. KYL, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was agreed to: Mr. MCCAIN, amendment No. 3052; Mr. WHITEHOUSE, amendment No. 3075; Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. KERRY), amendment No. 3133; Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN), amendment No. 3182; Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE), amendment No. 3183; Mr. WARNER (for

himself and Mr. CORNYN), amendment No. 3233; Mr. COBURN, amendment No. 3236; Mr. SANDERS (for himself and Mr. INHOFE), amendment No. 3248; Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3283.

A motion to reconsider was made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill, which was stated as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3254:

HARRY REID, CARL LEVIN, KAY R. HAGAN, B.A. MIKULSKI, TOM UDALL, JEFFREY A. MERKLEY, AL FRANKEN, T.R. HARKIN, JON TESTER, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, JEFF BINGAMAN, PATRICK J. LEAHY, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., AMY KLOBUCHAR, MAX BAUCUS, MICHAEL F. BENNET, MARK BEGICH, PATTY MURRAY.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON TUESDAY NEXT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, following the remarks of the leaders, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of Treaty Doc. 112-7, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; that no amendment be in order to said treaty or the Resolution of Advise and Consent to Ratification of the Treaty; that time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the resolution; that, if the resolution is agreed to, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that, if the resolution is not agreed to, it be returned to the executive calendar; that it be in order for a motion to reconsider to be made; and that no other motion or point of order be in order.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3254.

The question being on agreeing on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Mr. WYDEN, amendment No. 2959; Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. TOM UDALL), amendment No. 2984; Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. COONS), amendment No. 3079; Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. ENZI), amendment No. 3082; Mr. VITTER, amendment No. 3087, as modified; Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. CORNYN), amendment No. 3102; Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. TOOMEY, and Ms. MIKULSKI), amendment No. 3105; Ms. MURKOWSKI, amendment No. 3135; Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN), amendment No. 3145; Ms. COLLINS, amendment No. 3196, as modified; Mr. BARRASSO (for himself and Mr. ENZI), amendment No. 3198; Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. TOOMEY, and Ms. MIKULSKI), amendment No. 3234; Mr. REID, amendment No. 3244; Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mrs. BOXER), amendment No. 3247, as modified; Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. CORKER), amendment No. 3258; Mr. LEVIN, amendment No. 3280; Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND), amendment No. 3290.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Michael P. Shea, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m., on Monday, December 3, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Paul William Grimm, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, without intervening action or debate; that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 810. A bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-242).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1735. A bill to approve the transfer of Yellow Creek Port properties in Iuka, Mississippi (Rept. No. 112-243).

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. TESTER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. AKAKA, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 605. A resolution designating the week beginning November 26, 2012, as

"National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 606. A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, on December 1, 1812; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 607. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable George McGovern, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 2049

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2049, a bill to improve the circulation of $1 coins, to remove barrier to the circulation of such coins, and for other purposes.

S. 3547

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3547, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes.

S. 3574

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3574, a bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines.

S. 3645

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3645, a bill to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers, the National Park Service, and the United States Geological Survey, to lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries, and for other purposes.

S. 3649

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3649, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 915. An act to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

HATCH ACT MODERNIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2170) to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the "Hatch Act" to eliminate the provision preventing certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, as reported by the committee, so as to read: "A bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the 'Hatch Act', to scale back the provision forbidding certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title."

CONGRATULATING THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION FOR ELECTING REVEREND FRED LUTER, JR., AS ITS PRESIDENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 518) congratulating the Southern Baptist Convention for electing Reverend Fred Luter, Jr., as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, acknowledging Reverend Luter's unique role as the first African-American leader of the Southern Baptist Convention,

and honoring the commitment of the Southern Baptist Convention to an inclusive faith-based community and society.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "NATIONAL TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WEEK"

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. REED in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 605) designating the week beginning November 26, 2012, as "National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week", submitted today by Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. TESTER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. AKAKA, and Ms. MURKOWSKI), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF NAZARETH

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 606) commemorating the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, on December 1, 1812, submitted today by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE GEORGE MCGOVERN, FORMER UNITED STATES SENATOR AND CONGRESSMAN FROM THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

On the request of Mr. LEVIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 607) relative to the death of the Honorable George McGovern, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota, submitted today by Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill S. 3254.

Ordered further, That, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today; that upon disposition of executive business, the Senate resume its legislative session, and consideration of bill S. 3254, and that the Senate then vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second degree amendments until 4 p.m. on Monday next.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

At 4:38 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to the provisions of resolution S. Res. 606, as a further mark of respect for the late Senator George McGovern, from the State of South Dakota, until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2012.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 3, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, proposed by Mr. KYL, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Mr. BEGICH, amendment No. 2954; Mr. INHOFE, amendment No. 2978; Mr. BLUMENTHAL, amendment No. 3015; Mr. CARDIN, amendment No. 3022; Mr. CARDIN, amendment No. 3024; Mr. TESTER, amendment No. 3028; Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MARK UDALL, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. WICKER), amendment No. 3042, as modified; Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. WEBB), amendment No. 3054, as modified; Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3066; Mr. MCCAIN, amendment No. 3091, as modified; Mr. SCOTT BROWN, amendment No. 3160; Mr. LEVIN, amendment No. 3164; Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. BILL NELSON), amendment No. 3176, as modified; Mr. WARNER, amendment No. 3188; Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI), amendment No. 3208; Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. KIRK, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3218; Mr. CONRAD, amendment No. 3227; Mr. HATCH, amendment No. 3268; Mr. COONS, amendment No. 3289; Mr. PAUL, amendment No. 3119.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendments, en bloc.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That amendment No. 3124, previously agreed to, be modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That, following a vote on the motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill, at a time to be determined by Mr. LEVIN and Mr. MCCAIN, after consultation with the two leaders, the Senate vote in relation to pending amendment No. 3123, as modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; and each was agreed to: Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mr. BEGICH), amendment No. 3291; Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. LIEBERMAN), amendment No. 3282; Mr. REED, amendment No. 3292; Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. JOHANNS, and Mrs. MURRAY), amendment No. 3165.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3254.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Friday, November 30, 2012, to bring to a close debate on pending bill S. 3254.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 93, nays... 0

[Rollcall Vote No. 218 Leg.]

YEAS --- 93

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Mr. COATS, amendment No. 2923, as modified; Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. LEAHY), amendment No. 2943; Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. TESTER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. COONS, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND), amendment No. 2997, as modified; Mr. CARDIN, amendment No. 3023; Mr. WICKER, amendment No. 3121, as modified; Mr. PORTMAN, amendment No. 3142; Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. BAUCUS), amendment No. 3144; Mr. CORKER, amendment No. 3172, as modified; Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. CASEY), amendment No. 3276; Mr. LAUTENBERG, amendment No.

3298; Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. RUBIO), amendment No. 3278, as modified; Mr. ROCKEFELLER, amendment No. 2996; Mr. REID, amendment No. 3047, as modified.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8375. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8376. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8377. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Indonesia, Singapore, and/or Malaysia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8378. A communication from the President of the Federal Financing Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8379. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to groups designated by the Secretary of State as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (OSS 2012-1740); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8380. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessing and Managing Risk Before Maintenance Activities at Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.82), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8381. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's annual financial audit and management report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8382. A communication from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Foundation's fiscal year 2012 Agency Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8383. A joint communication from the Chairman and the Acting General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8384. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) address for the Department of Veterans Affairs 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8385. A communication from the Chairman of the United States Holocaust Museum, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Museum's fiscal year 2012 Report on Audit and Investigative Activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8386. A communication from the Treasurer of the National Gallery of Art, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Gallery's Performance and Accountability Report for the year ended September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8387. A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Federal Election Commission 2012 Performance and Accountability Report"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8388. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Energy's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8389. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8390. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Health and Human Service's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8391. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8392. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8393. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8394. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Reopening of the 2012 Commercial Sector for South Atlantic Red Snapper, Gag, and South Atlantic Shallow-Water Grouper" (RIN0648-XC332), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8395. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska Management Area" (RIN0648-XC346), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8396. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Jig Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC344), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8397. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska Management Area" (RIN0648-XC333), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8398. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Sub-ACL (Annual Catch Limit) Harvested for Management Area 1A" (RIN0648-XC156), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8399. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Compatibility with Consumer Electronics Equipment" (MB Docket No. 11-169; PP Docket No. 00-67, FCC 12-126), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8400. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Crowell, Knox City, Rule, and Quanah, Texas)" (MB Docket No. 08-97; RM-11428), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 27, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-133. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide funding to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for dredging harbors of refuge and repairing and maintaining seawalls of harbors of refuge in Michigan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 325

Whereas, Regular dredging and maintenance and repair of breakwater seawalls is needed to keep recreational harbors open to boaters in Michigan and the other Great Lakes states. Natural shoaling exacerbated by continued low lake levels has left many recreational harbors too shallow for boaters to enter safely, which is jeopardizing charter fishing operations, local communities, and other businesses that depend on boating. Portage Lake Harbor, Leland Harbor, and Arcadia Harbor are just a few of the fifteen Great Lakes harbors of concern that are dangerously shallow for boaters; and

Whereas, Not only is dredging and maintenance and repair of breakwater seawalls needed to accommodate recreational boaters, but also to provide safe harbor to all types of boaters, including commercial shippers. Maintaining harbors of refuge is a requirement to ensure that our obligation of providing safe shipping lanes for trade is met. With Portage Lake Harbor being one of the four Michigan harbors of refuge along the western side of the state and one of the thirteen statewide, it is a necessity that it be maintained and dredged to a proper depth; and

Whereas, The federal budget did not include funding for dredging harbors of refuge and maintenance and repair of breakwater seawalls of harbors of refuge maintained in the past by the United States Army Corp of Engineers. This lack of funding will cripple the Great Lakes recreational boating and charter fishing industry, impacting millions of boaters, businesses, and communities that they support. Because no funding has been provided, local Great Lakes communities have had to acquire private funding to be able to keep tourism alive during the boating season; and

Whereas, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers never completed a replacement seawall at Portage Lake Harbor begun in 2003. The seawall is now undermined, further narrowing the shipping channel. The Army Corps has designated the seawall as facing “imminent failure”; and

Whereas, It is necessary, for the safety of commercial shippers and all other Great Lakes traffic, to maintain harbors of refuge and, therefore, it should be deemed worthy to appropriate funds from the federal Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, which holds surplus funds in excess of $8 billion, to Great Lakes harbors. The relatively small federal investment needed to maintain these harbors is insignificant compared to the billions of dollars and thousands of jobs generated; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to provide funding to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for dredging harbors of refuge and repairing and maintaining seawalls of harbors of refuge in Michigan, particularly Portage Lake Harbor located in Onekama, MI; and be it further

Resolved, That we call on Congress to include funding for the United States Army Corps of Engineers to rebuild and complete the Portage Lake Harbor seawall; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

POM-134. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Rhode Island urging Congress to pass and send to the states a constitutional amendment permitting state and federal regulation and restriction of independent political expenditures; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

JOINT RESOLUTION S. 2656

Whereas, The growing influence of large independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals is a great and growing concern to the people of the United States and the State of Rhode Island; and

Whereas, In a democracy the assurance of a fair and uncorrupted election process is of the utmost importance, and the Rhode Island General Assembly believes that it is a legitimate and vital role of government to regulate independent political expenditures by corporations, unions, and wealthy individuals; and

Whereas, In fulfillment of this important role the government of the United States and a majority of states have regulated and restricted independent political expenditures by corporations; and

Whereas, In 2010, the Supreme Court of the United States decided by a bare majority in Citizens United v. Federal Elections Commission that the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States prohibits restrictions on the use of corporate and union treasury funds for electioneering; and

Whereas, Citizens United was a dramatic reversal of established Supreme Court precedent, and overturned decades of statutes enacted by Congress and numerous state legislatures; and

Whereas, Citizens United has served as precedent for further legal decisions harming our democratic system of government,

including SpecchNow.org v. FEC, which allows wealthy individuals to anonymously channel unlimited political expenditures through Super PACs; and

Whereas, In the wake of Citizens United there has been an exponential increase in large independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals which threatens the integrity of the election process, corrupts our candidates, dilutes the power of individual voters and distort the public discourse; and

Whereas, Article V of the United States Constitution empowers and obligates the people of the United States of America to use the constitutional amendment process to amend their constitution; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That this General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations respectfully urges the Congress of the United States to pass and send to the states for ratification an amendment to the constitution to effectively overturn the holding of Citizens United and it's progeny and to permit the governments of the United States and the several states to regulate and restrict independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States Senate, and to each Senator and Representative from Rhode Island in the Congress of the United States.

POM-135. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island urging Congress to pass and send to the states a constitutional amendment permitting state and federal regulation and restriction of independent political expenditures; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

JOINT RESOLUTION H. 7899

Whereas, The growing influence of large independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals is a great and growing concern to the people of the United States and the State of Rhode Island; and

Whereas, In a democracy the assurance of a fair and uncorrupted election process is of the utmost importance, and the Rhode Island General Assembly believes that it is a legitimate and vital role of government to regulate independent political expenditures by corporations, unions, and wealthy individuals; and

Whereas, In fulfillment of this important role the government of the United States and a majority of states have regulated and restricted independent political expenditures by corporations; and

Whereas, In 2010, the Supreme Court of the United States decided by a bare majority in Citizens United v. Federal Elections Commission that the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States prohibits restrictions on the use of corporate and union treasury funds for electioneering; and

Whereas, Citizens United was a dramatic reversal of established Supreme Court precedent, and overturned decades of statutes enacted by Congress and numerous state legislatures; and

Whereas, Citizens United has served as precedent for further legal decisions harming our democratic system of government, including SpeechNow.org v. FEC, which allows wealthy individuals to anonymously channel unlimited political expenditures through Super PACs; and

Whereas, In the wake of Citizens United there has been an exponential increase in large independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals which threatens the integrity of the election process, corrupts our candidates, dilutes the power of individual voters and distort the public discourse; and

Whereas, Article V of the United States Constitution empowers and obligates the people of the United States of America to use the constitutional amendment process to amend their constitution; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That this General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations respectfully urges the Congress of the United States to pass and send to the states for ratification an amendment to the constitution to effectively overturn the holding of Citizens United and it's progeny and to permit the governments of the United States and the several states to regulate and restrict independent political expenditures by corporations and wealthy individuals; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States Senate, and to each Senator and Representative from Rhode Island in the Congress of the United States.

POM-136. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Kansas urging the Congress of the United States to extend equal benefits and compensation for the treatment of Agent Orange exposure to Vietnam era veterans who served outside of Vietnam; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5016

Whereas, Thousands of veterans of the Vietnam War suffer from the effects of exposure to Agent Orange, a powerful and toxic defoliant used to clear areas of dense vegetation used as enemy hideouts; and

Whereas, Agent Orange exposure causes a variety of devastating health effects, such as increased rates of cancer, immune system disorders and genetic maladies which lead to birth defects in the children of those exposed; and

Whereas, Although the use of Agent Orange is most commonly associated with the country of Vietnam, it was also used extensively in surrounding areas such as Thailand; and

Whereas, Many veterans affected by exposure to Agent Orange proudly and bravely served their country without ever actually setting foot in Vietnam itself; and

Whereas, These veterans are struggling to obtain the same medical benefits and compensation to deal with their exposure as those who served on the ground in Vietnam: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring therein: That the Congress of the United States is urged to work with the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure that Vietnam era veterans who served in support of the Vietnam War are able to receive the same medical benefits and compensation for the treatment of Agent Orange exposure as those who served within the country's borders.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 2038, An original bill to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-244).

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 823

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 823, a bill to permit aliens who lawfully enter the United States on valid visas as nonimmigrant elementary and secondary school students to attend public schools in the United States for longer than 1 year if such aliens reimburse the local educational agency that administers the school for the full,

unsubsidized per capita cost of providing education at such school for the period of the alien's attendance.

S. 2212

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2212, a bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code.

S. 2318

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2318, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes.

S. 3199

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3199, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes.

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3274

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3274, a bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes.

S. 3636

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3636, a bill to provide increased consumer protections for gift cards.

S. 3638

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3638, a bill to establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3649

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3649, a bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, and for other purposes.

S. 3650

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. ENZI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3650, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6429. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6429) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, after the vote on the question of agreeing to the resolution of ratification on Treaty Doc. 112-7, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m.

Ordered further, That time during adjournment, morning business, and executive session be counted against the time for debate on bill S. 3254, as pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

At 6:56 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 4, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6429) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and read the first time; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, November 30, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, proposed by Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. WICKER, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CORKER), to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Mr. LEVIN, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated, and agreed to: Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. TOM UDALL, and Mr. CORKER), amendment No. 2927, as modified; Mr. AKAKA, amendment No. 3019; Mr. TOOMEY, amendment No. 3062; Mr. SHERROD BROWN, amendment No. 3113, as modified; Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. BILL NELSON), amendment No. 3175, as modified; Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. LIEBERMAN), amendment No. 3241; Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, and Ms. COLLINS), amendment No. 3242; Mr. THUNE, amendment No. 3277, as modified; Mr. MORAN (for himself and Ms. AYOTTE), amendment No. 3285, as modified; Mr. BENNET, amendment No. 3226, as modified; Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. LEE), amendment No. 3117, as modified.

A motion to reconsider was made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEVIN,

Ordered, That no point of order be considered waived; that the following be the only first-degree amendment remaining in order to be proposed: an amendment (Numbered 3262), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN, relative to Syria; that it be in order for said amendment to be modified; that there be 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate on said amendment, time until 4:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Armed Services, on the bill; that, at 4:30 p.m., time for debate, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be concluded; that the Senate then vote in relation to amendment No. 3262, as modified; that no amendment be in order to the amendment prior to the vote; that, upon disposition of said amendment, as modified, amendment No. 3123, as modified, be agreed to; that, upon disposition of said amendment, the bill, as amended, be read the third time; that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended; that, following the vote, the Committee on Armed Services be discharged from further consideration of bill H.R. 4310; that the Senate proceed to consider the bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of bill S. 3254, as passed, be inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table; and that the bill, as passed, be printed.

Ordered further, That the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and that the Chair be authorized to appoint members of the Committee on Armed Services as conferees on the part of the Senate.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. COONS) to further amend the pending bill in title XII, subtitle C, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3262).

Pursuant to the order of today,

Mr. MCCAIN modified his pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3262, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

The hour of 4:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

Time for debate on the bill, pursuant to rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, being concluded.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3262, as modified, to the bill, as amended.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment, as modified.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 92, nays... 6

[Rollcall Vote No. 220 Leg.]

YEAS --- 92

Akaka, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Inouye, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman,

Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 6

Alexander, DeMint, Durbin, Hutchison, Lee, Paul.

So the amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN to reconsider the vote agreeing to the amendment, as modified.

On motion by Mr. LEVIN,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3123, as modified, to the bill, as amendment.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The amendment, as modified, was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 98, nays... 0

[Rollcall Vote No. 221 Leg.]

YEAS --- 98

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So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; the Senate proceeded to consider the bill; all after the enacting clause was stricken, and the text of bill S. 3254, as passed, was inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); the bill, as thus amended, was read the third time, and passed; and a motion to reconsider was considered made and laid on the table.

In further pursuance of the order of today,

The Senate insisted on its amendment, and asked a conference with the House of Representatives thereon, and the Chair, as authorized, appointed the following as conferees on the part of the Senate: Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. WEBB, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. VITTER.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 6156

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 6156) to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

ANIMAL FIGHTING SPECTATOR PROHIBITION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 1947) to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. BLUMENTHAL to amend the bill on page 2, line 21, before “cause”, by inserting “knowingly” (being amendment No. 3309).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 6156

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill H.R. 6156.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8401. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Defense Environmental Programs Annual Report for fiscal year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8402. A communication from the Associate Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cuban Assets Control Regulations" (31 CFR Part 515), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8403. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to South Korea and China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8404. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates (UAE); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8405. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Editorial Corrections to the Commerce Control List of the Export Administration Regulations" (RIN0694-AF62), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8406. A communication from the Director for Internal Control and Management Systems, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Obsolete Regulation" (RIN2700-AD78), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8407. A communication from the Assistant Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska--2012-13 and 2013-14 Subsistence Taking of Wildlife Regulations" (RIN1018-AX33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8408. A communication from the Chief of the Permits and Regulations Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Permits; Delegating Falconry Permitting Authority to Seven States" (RIN1018-AZ16), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8409. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Critical Habitat for the Riverside Fairy Shrimp" (RIN1018-AX15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8410. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the Southern Selkirk Mountains Population of Woodland Caribou" (RIN1018-AX38), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8411. A communication from the Chief of the Listing Branch, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Revised Critical Habitat for the Northern Spotted Owl" (RIN1018-AX69), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8412. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. RSAT 12-2912); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8413. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-145); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8414. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Informal Entry Limit and Removal of a Formal Entry Requirement" (RIN1515-AD69), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8415. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Branded Prescription Drug Fee; Guidance for the 2013 Fee Year" (Notice 2012-74), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8416. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tier 2 Rates for 2013" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8417. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2013 Standard Mileage Rates" (Notice 2012-72), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8418. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2013 Section 1274A CPI Adjustments" (Rev. Rul. 2012-33), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8419. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Base Period T-Bill Rate" (Rev. Rul. 2012-22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8420. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Compliance Date for Food Labeling Regulations" (Docket No. FDA-2000-N-0011), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8421. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) address for the Department of Veterans Affairs 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8422. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8423. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8424. A communication from the Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors, U.S. Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report and the Postal Service management response to the report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8425. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8426. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second

times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH:

S. 3651. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make improvements in the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, to provide for cash relief for years for which annual COLAs do not take effect under certain cash benefit programs, and to provide for Social Security benefit protection; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 3652. A bill to allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 3653. A bill to improve the training of child protection professionals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3654. A bill to create equal footing for tribal economic development; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 3655. A bill to provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy and Tropical Storm Sandy of 2012, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3656. A bill to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 608. A resolution supporting the establishment of a President's Youth Council; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1423

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. WICKER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1423, a bill to clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers.

S. 2207

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2207, a bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes.

S. 2247

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2247, a bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to improve the functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee, and for other purposes.

S. 3477

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Ms. KLOBUCHAR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3477, a bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security.

S. 3626

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3626, a bill to provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects, and for other purposes.

S. 3628

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3628, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to raise awareness of, and to educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding, the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options.

S. 3647

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3647, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve and enhance the capabilities of the Armed Forces to prevent and respond to sexual assault and sexual harassment in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 45

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 45, a joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as "Juneteenth Independence Day".

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE ON INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL CHILD ABDUCTION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution (S. Res. 543) to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution, as amended.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the preamble.

The reported amendment to the preamble was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of four hours for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein; that Mr. GRASSLEY control the next 45 minutes therein; that each 45 minutes therein be controlled in alternating fashion; that the majority control the first 45 minutes therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 6156.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

At 6:30 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 5, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8427. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alkyl(C8-C18) dimethylamidopropylamines; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9369-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8428. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Halosulfuron-methyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9370-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8429. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of several violations of the Antideficiency Act in a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration account; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8430. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau on College Credit Cards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8431. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Washington DC-MD-VA Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9755-5), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8432. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Allegheny County Incorporation by Reference of Pennsylvania's Control of NOx Emissions from Glass Melting Furnaces" (FRL No. 9755-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8433. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, for Imperial County, Placer County and Ventura County Air Pollution Control Districts" (FRL No. 9710-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8434. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-153, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8435. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0170 - 2012-0183); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8436. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-130); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8437. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-162); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8438. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food" (Docket No. FDA-1999-F-1267), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8439. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food" (Docket No. FDA-1999-F-4617), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8440. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General, the Chairman's Semiannual Report on Final Action Resulting from Audit Reports, Inspection Reports, and Evaluation Reports for the period from April 1, 2012 through

September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8441. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administrator's Semiannual Management Report to Congress; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8442. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of the Interior's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8443. A communication from the Acting Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corps' Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8444. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the requirements of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act and the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8445. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to unvouchered expenditures; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8446. A communication from the Deputy Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8447. A communication from the Chairman and Members of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 183, A bill to clarify the applicability of certain maritime laws with respect to the blowout and explosion of the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon (Rept. No. 112-245).

Report to accompany S. 1759, A bill to facilitate the hosting in the United States of the 34th America's Cup by authorizing certain eligible vessels to participate in activities related to the competition (Rept. No. 112-246).

Report to accompany S. 2279, A bill to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the R.M.S. Titanic and its wreck site, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-247).

Report to accompany S. 3410, A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-248).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3657. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. BURR:

S. 3658. A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fayetteville Street in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Jesse Helms Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3659. A bill to repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3660. A bill to extend the payroll tax holiday and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 3661. A bill to reaffirm and amend the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. MORAN):

S. 3662. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. TOOMEY, and Mr. REED):

S. Res. 609. A resolution calling for the immediate and unconditional release of United States citizen Alan Phillip Gross from detention in Cuba and urging the Government of Cuba to address his medical issues; considered and agreed to.

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

S. Res. 610. A resolution commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Graduate Research Fellowship Program of the National Science Foundation; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 543

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. GRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 1897

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1897, a bill to amend Public Law 101-377 to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes.

S. 2178

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2178, a bill to require the Federal Government to expedite

the sale of underutilized Federal real property.

S. 2318

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. FRANKEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2318, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes.

S. 3472

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. FEINSTEIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3472, a bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act.

S. 3575

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3575, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide equal treatment of LGBT older individuals.

S. 3616

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2001 and to permanently reinstate the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2010, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 595

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON], the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. NELSON] and the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 595, a resolution expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 5, 2012.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 5, 2012, at 9 a.m., to hold a African Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Assessing Developments in Mali: Restoring Democracy and Reclaiming the North."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 316. An act for the relief of Ester Karinge.

H.R. 357. An act for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic.

H.R. 794. An act for the relief of Allan Bolor Kelley.

H.R. 823. An act for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas.

H.R. 824. An act for the relief of Daniel Wachira.

H.R. 1857. An act for the relief of Bartosz Kumor.

H.R. 6582. An act to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive.

At 12:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6634. An act to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 316. An act for the relief of Esther Karinge; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 357. An act for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 794. An act for the relief of Allan Bolor Kelley; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 823. An act for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 824. An act for the relief of Daniel Wachira; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1857. An act for the relief of Bartosz Kumor; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 6429

Mr. CORNYN asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 6429) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes; that the bill be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table.

Mr. SCHUMER objected.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3553

Mr. SCHUMER asked unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3553) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research in the United States, and for other purposes; that the bill be considered, read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate.

Mr. CORNYN objected.

ORDER RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 6156

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate proceeds to consider bill H.R. 6156, as pursuant to the order of yesterday, there be 5 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the bill on today; and that no amendment be in order to the bill.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate resume consideration of the bill; that there be ten minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the bill; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time; and that the Senate vote on passage of the bill.

RUSSIA AND MOLDOVA JACKSON-VANIK REPEAL AND SERGEI MAGNITSKY RULE OF LAW ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6156) to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the

Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RUSSIA AND MOLDOVA JACKSON-VANIK REPEAL AND SERGEI MAGNITSKY RULE OF LAW ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 6156.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON TOMORROW

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 11:45 a.m., on tomorrow, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Mark E. Walker, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, and Terrance G. Berg, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan; that there be 15 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate then resume legislative session to resume consideration of bill H.R. 6156, as pursuant to the order of today; that, upon disposition of the bill, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of said nominations; that the Senate then vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order, without further intervening action or debate; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without further intervening action or debate; that no other motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION UNIVERSAL ACCREDITATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3331) to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. CARDIN for Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. DEMINT) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3310, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF UNITED STATES CITIZEN ALAN PHILLIP GROSS FROM DETENTION IN CUBA

On the request of Mr. CARDIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 609) calling for the immediate and unconditional release of United States citizen Alan Phillip Gross from detention in Cuba and urging the Government of Cuba to address his medical issues, submitted today by Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. HELLER, Mr. KOHL, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WARNER, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COBURN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. COONS, Mr. TOOMEY, and Mr. REED), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "TEEN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 573) designating the third week of January 2013 as "Teen Cancer Awareness Week".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE GOALS OF NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY AND NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 595) expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

COMMEMORATING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

On the request of Mr. CARDIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 610) commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Graduate Research Fellowship Program of the National Science Foundation, submitted today by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11:45 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the order of Thursday, November 29, 2012, relative to recognition of retiring Senators remain in effect; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CARDIN,

At 7:11 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 6, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION RELATIVE TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 6156

Mr. MCCONNELL asked unanimous consent that prior to the vote on passage of the bill (H.R. 6156) to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to an amendment, intended to be proposed, relative to the debt limit extension as outlined by the President.

Mr. REID objected.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8448. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; 2012-2013 Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf King Mackerel in Northern Florida West Coast Subzone" (RIN0648-XC273), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8449. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC113), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8450. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for the State of New York" (RIN0648-XC294), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8451. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Using Pot Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC288), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8452. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor for the Department of Legislation and Regulations, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Retrospective Review Under E.O. 13563: Seamen's Claims; and Admiralty Claims" (RIN2133-AB79), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8453. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Lewistown, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0538)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8454. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Bozeman, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0519)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8455. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Chenega Bay, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-

1429)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8456. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Augusta, GA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1334)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8457. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0589)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8458. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-0060)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8459. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0588)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8460. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0491)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8461. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; MD Helicopters, Inc." ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0342)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8462. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Piper Aircraft, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0639)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8463. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BRP-Powertrain GmbH and Co KG Rotax Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0603)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8464. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Diamond Aircraft Industries GmbH Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0633)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8465. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Restricted Category Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0488)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8466. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2006-24785)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8467. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Division Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2010-0217)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8468. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Goodyear Aviation Tires" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0881)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8469. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; M7 Aerospace LLC Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0917)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8470. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)-(Docket No. FAA-2012-1017)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8471. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0115)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8472. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0996)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8473. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0724)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8474. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0338)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8475. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-1018)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8476. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0638)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8477. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1095)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8478. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1167)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8479. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Univair Aircraft Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0360)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8480. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0659)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8481. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Various Restricted Category Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0896)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8482. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0337)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8483. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0671)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8484. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0354)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8485. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1229)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8486. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1319)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8487. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0267)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8488. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1326)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8489. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0422)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8490. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0038)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8491. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0192)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8492. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0644)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8493. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0593)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8494. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1411)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8495. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0424)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 4, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8496. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-142, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8497. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Germany; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8498. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8499. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Organization and Functions, and Seal" (RIN2590-AA54), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8500. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supervisory and Company-Run Stress Test Requirements for Covered Companies" (RIN7100-AD86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8501. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Company-Run Stress Test Requirements for Banking Organizations with Total Consolidated Assets Over 10 Billion Dollars Other than Covered Companies" (RIN7100-AD86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8502. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Status for the Main Hawaiian Islands Insular False Killer Whale Distinct Population Segment" (RIN0648-XT37), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8503. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Criteria and Procedures for Determining Eligibility for Access to Classified Matter or Special Nuclear Material: Technical Amendments" (RIN1992-AA36), received in the Office of the President of Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8504. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the General Services Administration's Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Investment and Leasing Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8505. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, a report relative to action taken to extend the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Pre-Classical and Classical Archaeological Objects and Byzantine Period Ecclesiastical and Ritual Ethnological Materials; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8506. A communication from the Chief of the Border Securities Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendment to List of User Fee Airports: Addition of Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, Belgrade, Montana" (CBP Dec. 12-20), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8507. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8508. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contracts and Provider Agreements for State Home Nursing Home Care" (RIN2900-AO57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 3663. A bill to reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REID:

S. 3664. A bill to provide for debt limit extensions; read the first time.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3665. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 3666. A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor"; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 611. A resolution designating December 15, 2012, as "Wreaths Across America Day"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. HELLER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. WICKER):

S. Con. Res. 61. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax is not in the economic interest of the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. HAGAN, and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. Con. Res. 62. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that our current tax incentives for retirement savings provide important benefits to Americans to help plan for a financially secure retirement; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 845

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. UDALL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 845, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to longstanding regulatory rule.

S. 3608

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. WYDEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3608, a bill to modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BEGICH,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of FHA: Examining HUD's Response to Fiscal Challenges."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 6, 2012, at 10 a.m., in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY, AND SECURITY

The Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 6, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The Committee will hold a hearing entitled, "Superstorm Sandy: The Devastating Impact on the Nation's Largest Transportation Systems."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 2367. An act to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3486. An act to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

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

H.R. 6223. An act to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in a security-related position in an executive or managerial capacity is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6602. An act to make revisions in title 36, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current and make technical corrections and improvements.

H.R. 6605. An act to eliminate an unnecessary reporting requirement for an unfunded DNA Identification grant program.

H.R. 6620. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain limitations on the length of Secret Service Protection for former Presidents and for the children of former Presidents.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2838) to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 through 2015, and for other purposes, with an amendment, and agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the title of the bill.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 50. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.

At 4:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2367. An act to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3486. An act to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

H.R. 6634. An act to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 6602. An act to make revisions in title 36, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current and make technical corrections and improvements; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6605. An act to eliminate an unnecessary reporting requirement for an

unfunded DNA Identification grant program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6620. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain limitations on the length of Secret Service Protection for former Presidents and for the children of former Presidents; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RUSSIA AND MOLDOVA JACKSON-VANIK REPEAL AND SERGEI MAGNITSKY RULE OF LAW ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 6156) To authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

After debate,

The bill was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. BAUCUS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 92, nays... 4

[Rollcall Vote No. 223 Leg.]

YEAS --- 92

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 4

Levin, Reed, Sanders, Whitehouse.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3664 ON TODAY

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at 1:30 p.m. on today, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3664) to provide for debt limit extensions; that no amendment be in order; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders, or their designees, on the bill; that, upon conclusion of debate, the bill be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

Pending debate,

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3637

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending motion to proceed; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637:

HARRY REID, J. LIEBERMAN, JEFF BINGAMAN, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, MARK BEGICH, JON TESTER, MAX BAUCUS, HERB KOHL, KAY R. HAGAN, B. A. MIKULSKI, TIM JOHNSON, MARY LANDRIEU, KENT CONRAD, JEANNE SHAHEEN, J. A. MERKLEY, DANIEL K. AKAKA, MARK PRYOR.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INTERNET PUBLICATION OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORMS

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6634) to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3637

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

AMERICAN ENERGY MANUFACTURING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT

On the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6582) to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AMENDING THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT TO MODIFY CERTAIN DEFINITION

On the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3666) to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor", introduced on today by Mr. VITTER, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING "WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY"

On the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 611) designating December 15, 2012, as "Wreaths Across America Day", submitted today by Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. SNOWE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3664) to provide for debt limit extensions, introduced today by Mr. REID, and at the desk; which was read the first time.

Mrs. HAGAN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mrs. HAGAN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That Mr. REID be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until Monday, December 10, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 10, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transacttion of morning business until 5 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637; that the time until 5:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 5:30 p.m., the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

At 4:52 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 10, 2012.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012

Mr. PATRICK J. LEAHY, from the State of Vermont, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. LEAHY led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 10, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable PATRICK J. LEAHY, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. LEAHY took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL S. 3637

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012, be modified such that, at 2:15 p.m. on tomorrow, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; that if the motion is agreed to, the motion to proceed be agreed to; and that the majority leader be recognized.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3664) to provide for debt limit extensions, introduced on Thursday, December 6, 2012 by Mr. REID, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of December 6, 2012, the following enrolled bills, previously signed by the SPEAKER of the House, were signed on December 6, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

S. 3486. An act to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

H.R. 6634. An act to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on December 7, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the SPEAKER had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 6156. An act to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of December 6, 2012, the enrolled bill was signed on December 7, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. REID).

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Monday, December 10, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3486. A bill to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8509. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Creation of a Low Power Radio Service" (MM Docket No. 99-25; FCC 12-144), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8510. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shipping and Transportation; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" (RIN1625-AB87), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8511. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0625)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8512. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), Newport River, Morehead City, NC" ((RIN1625-AA09)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0628)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8513. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Palm Beach World Championship, Atlantic Ocean; Jupiter, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0721)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8514. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation Clearwater Super Boat National Championship Race, Gulf of Mexico; Clearwater, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0452)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8515. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; Red Bull Flugtag Miami, Biscayne Bay; Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0728)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8516. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulations; 2012 Ironman 70.3 Miami, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA08)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0559)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8517. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Columbus Day Weekend, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL" ((RIN1625-AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0191)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8518. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Thames River Degaussing Range Replacement Operations; New London, CT" ((RIN1625-AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0623)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8519. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; East River, Flushing and Gowanus Bays, and Red Hook and Buttermilk Channels; New York, NY" ((RIN1625-AA11)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0950)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8520. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inland Waterways Navigation Regulations" ((RIN1625-AB84)(Docket No. USCG-2011-1086)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8521. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Cruise Ships, Santa Barbara Harbor, Santa Barbara, California" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2011-0906)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8522. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; USCGC WILLIAM FLORES Commissioning Ceremony, Ybor Channel; Tampa, FL" ((RIN1625-AA87)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0885)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8523. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; James River, Kingsmill Resort, Williamsburg, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0931)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8524. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fixed and Moving Safety Zone; Around the USACE Bank Grading Units, Mat Sinking Unit, and the M/V Harrison and M/V William James" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0738)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8525. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bridge Demolition Project; Indiana Harbor Canal, East Chicago, Indiana" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0904)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8526. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; 2012 Head of the South Regatta, Savannah River, Augusta, GA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0913)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8527. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Wounded Warriors Benefit, Lake Erie, Huron, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0889)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8528. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sea World San Diego Fireworks, Mission Bay; San Diego, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0874)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8529. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Submarine Cable Installation Project; Chicago River, Chicago, Illinois" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0886)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8530. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone, Changes to Original Rule; Boston Harbor's Rock Removal Project, Boston Inner Harbor, Boston, MA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0767)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8531. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Water Main Crossing; Choctawhatchee Bay; Santa Rosa Beach, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0518)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8532. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Alliance Road Bridge Demolition; Black Warrior River, Locust Fork; Birmingham, AL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0902)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8533. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Oak Island, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0811)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8534. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Carolina Beach, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0741)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8535. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Bridge Demolition Project; Indiana Harbor Canal, East Chicago, Indiana" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0904)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8536. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Large Cruise Ships; Lower Mississippi River, Southwest Pass Sea Buoy to Mile Marker 96.0; New Orleans, LA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2010-0012)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8537. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Coast Guard Exercise, Hood Canal, Washington" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0822)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8538. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Oregon City Bridge Grand Opening Fireworks Display; Willamette River, Oregon City, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0805)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8539. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; DeStefano Wedding Fireworks Display, Patchogue Bay, Patchogue, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket

No. USCG-2012-0571)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8540. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Research Vessel SIKULIAQ Launch, Marinette, Wisconsin" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0896)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8541. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Battle of Queenstown Heights Bicentennial, Niagara River, Lewiston, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00)-(Docket No. USCG-2012-0849)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8542. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; America's Cup World Series Finish-line, San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0884)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8543. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; Emerald Isle, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0812)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8544. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Leukemia and Lymphoma Light the Night Walk Fireworks Display; Willamette River, Portland, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0803)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8545. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Steam Ship Col. James M. Schoonmaker Relocation Project, Maumee River, Toledo, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0939)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8546. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Cooper T. Smith Fireworks Event; Mobile River; Mobile, AL" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0869)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 3667. A bill to rename section 219(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3668. A bill to require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 612. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Arlen Specter, distinguished former Senator for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 82

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Kansas [Mr. MORAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 82, a bill to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs, to repeal the sunset of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with respect to increased dollar limitations for such credit and programs, and to allow the adoption credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final.

S. 1880

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1880, a bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax.

S. 3636

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3636, a bill to provide increased consumer protections for gift cards.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the nominations of John E. Dowdell, of Oklahoma, to be United States District

Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, and Jesus G. Bernal, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

MARCH OF DIMES COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

On the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TOM UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3187) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, August 2, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE HONORABLE ARLEN SPECTER, DISTINGUISHED FORMER SENATOR FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

On the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 612) honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Arlen Specter, distinguished former Senator for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, submitted today by Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business for one hour, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that the majority control the first 30 minutes therein, and the minority control the second 30 minutes therein.

Ordered further, That, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637; and that the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled, between the two leaders, or their designees, for debate thereon.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL,

At 6 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to the provisions of resolution S. Res. 612, as a further mark of respect to the late Senator Arlen Specter, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

Mr. JIM WEBB, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WEBB led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 11, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM WEBB, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WEBB took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with amendments:

S. 2024. A bill to make technical amendment to the T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and for other purposes.

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 3546. A bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.

S. 3548. A bill to clarify certain provisions of the Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act of 1994.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. UDALL of Colorado):

S. 3669. A bill to provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KYL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. COONS, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COATS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LEE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BENNET, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

S. Res. 613. A resolution urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support to the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 465

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 465, a bill to prevent mail, telemarketing, and Internet fraud targeting seniors in the United States, to promote efforts to increase public awareness of the enormous impact that mail, telemarketing, and Internet fraud have on seniors, to educate the public, seniors, and their families, and their caregivers about how to identify and combat fraudulent activity, and for other purposes.

S. 1868

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1868, a bill to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the Smithsonian American Latino Museum, and for other purposes.

S. 2212

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. COBURN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2212, a bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code.

S. 3208

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3208, a bill to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, and for other purposes.

S. 3518

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3518, a bill to make it a principal negotiating objective of the United States in trade negotiations to eliminate government fisheries subsidies, and for other purposes.

S. 3665

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3665, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MARK UDALL,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Streamlining and Strengthening HUD's Rental Housing Assistance Programs, Part II."

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 11, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3637

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, made by Mr. REID on Thursday, December 6, 2012, that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pending debate,

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:21 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COONS in the chair) called the Senate to order.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL S. 3637

The Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012, as modified,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID on Thursday, December 6, 2012, to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to consider bill S. 3637.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 76, nays... 20

[Rollcall Vote No. 225 Leg.]

YEAS --- 76

Akaka, Alexander, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Cornyn, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 20

Ayotte, Barrasso, Coburn, Corker, Crapo, DeMint, Graham, Hatch, Heller, Inhofe, Johnson (WI), Lee, Paul, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey.

So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

The question being on agreeing to the motion to proceed.

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 6, 2012, as modified,

The motion to proceed was agreed to.

Whereupon,

TRANSACTION ACCOUNT GUARANTEE PROGRAM TEMPORARY EXTENSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3314).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 3315).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 3316).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 3316) contained in the pending motion to commit by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 3317).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 3318).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill S. 3637; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3637:

HARRY REID, DEBBIE STABENOW, TOM HARKIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, ROBERT MENENDEZ, JACK REED, KAY R. HAGAN, TIM JOHNSON, RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, BILL NELSON, PATRICK LEAHY, SHERROD BROWN, ROBERT P. CASEY, JR., MAX BAUCUS, JOHN KERRY, TOM CARPER.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3318 to amendment No. 3317 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3316) contained in the motion to refer the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION ACCOUNT GUARANTEE PROGRAM TEMPORARY EXTENSION

The Senate resumed consideration of bill S. 3637.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3318 to amendment No. 3317 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3316) contained in the motion to refer the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

Pending debate,

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE ACT AMENDMENTS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 4014) to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT AMENDMENTS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4367) to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit the fee disclosure requirement for an automatic teller machine to the screen of that machine, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BRIDGEPORT INDIAN COLONY LAND TRUST, HEALTH, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2467) to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC INTEREST DECLASSIFICATION BOARD REAUTHORIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3564) to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2018 and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3326, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS), so as to read: "A bill to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2014 and for other purposes".

PASCUA YAQUI TRIBE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS DETERMINATION ALLOWANCE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3319) to allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CLOTHE A HOMELESS HERO ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6328) to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. TOOMEY) to amend the pending bill on page 2, line 20, after "clothing to" by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3328).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 2 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the first hour therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; that the order of Thursday, November 29, 2012, relative to recognition on tomorrow of retiring Senators be modified such that time for recognition be from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3637.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:18 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 12, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8547. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Buprofezin Pesticide Tolerances; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9371-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8548. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Zeta Cypermethrin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9371-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8549. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spirodiclofen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9371-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8550. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fenpyroximate; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9360-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8551. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8552. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BC57), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8553. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Crescent City Fourth of July Fireworks Event, Crescent City, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00)(Docket No. USCG-2012-0141)), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8554. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System, Yellowstone National Park - Winter Use" (RIN1024-AE10), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8555. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a report entitled "Revised Guidance of Treatment of Tenants under CERCLA'S BFPP Provision"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8556. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Parkersburg-Marietta, WV-OH Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9760-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8557. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Charleston Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9759-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8558. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; The 2002 Base Year Inventory for the Baltimore, Maryland Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9759-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8559. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Washington County, Maryland Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9760-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8560. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Modifications to Renewable Fuel Standard and Diesel Sulfur Programs" (FRL No. 9758-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8561. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9759-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8562. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for Performing the Integrated Assessment for External Flooding" (JLD-ISG-2012-05), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8563. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Competitive Sourcing

Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8564. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leave-Based Donation Programs to Aid Victims of Hurricane Sandy" (Notice 2012-69), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8565. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees on Health Insurance Policies and Self-Insured Plans for the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund" ((RIN1545-BK59)(TD 9602)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8566. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Corrections to U.S. Customs and Border Protection Regulations" (CBP Dec. 12-21), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8567. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) Mandated Evaluation of Express Lane Eligibility: First Year Findings"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8568. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-157, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8569. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-167, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8570. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-095); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8571. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-126); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8572. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-156); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8573. A communication from the Program Manager, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Opioid Drugs in Maintenance and Detoxification Treatment of Opiate Addiction; Proposed Modification of Dispensing Restrictions for Buprenorphine and Buprenorphine Combination as Used in Approved Opioid Treatment Medications" (RIN0930-AA14), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8574. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Information Technology: Revisions to the 2014 Edition Electronic Health Record Certification Criteria; and Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Revisions to the Electronic Health Record Incentive Program" (RIN0938-AR71; RIN0991-AB89), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8575. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption; Sodium Dodecylbenzenesulfonate" (Docket No. FDA-2011-F-0853), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8576. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8577. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report to Congress on Audit Follow-up for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8578. A communication from the Chief Operating Officer/Acting Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8579. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 and the Semi-Annual Report of the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8580. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Residential, Business, and Wind and Solar Resource Leases on Indian Land" (RIN1076-AE73), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8581. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Enforcement Actions" (RIN3141-AA50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8582. A communication from the Director of the Regulation Policy and Management Office of the General Counsel, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Revisions to Part 53 - State Veterans Homes" (RIN2900-AO54), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 10, 2012; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 3670. A bill to prohibit the use of fiscal year 2013 funds for United States participation in joint military exercises with Egypt if the Government of Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the 1979 Egypt-Israel peace treaty; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 3671. A bill to provide certain assistance to North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3672. A bill to clarify the collateral requirement for certain loans under section 7(d) of the Small Business Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. CORKER:

S. 3673. A bill to provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 3674. A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to provide certain exemptions relating to the taking of migratory game birds; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3675. A bill to expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by base realignment and closure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 3676. A bill to promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 3677. A bill to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. Res. 614. A resolution celebrating the World Peace Corps Mission and the World Peace Prize; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. HAGAN):

S. Res. 615. A resolution congratulating the recipients of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Chemistry; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 2212

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2212, a bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3231

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3231, a bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service to support effective programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care.

S. 3237

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3237, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 3275

At the request of Mr. COONS, the names of the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN], the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH], the Senator from Louisiana [Ms. LANDRIEU], the Senator from Delaware [Mr. CARPER] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3275, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels, and for other purposes.

S. 3460

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3460, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes.

S. 3616

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3616, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2001 and to permanently reinstate the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2010, and for other purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on December 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing on judicial nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 12, 2012. The Committees will meet in SR-418 of the Russell Senate Office Building, beginning at 10 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on December 12, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room SH-216 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Ending the School-to-Prison Pipeline."

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure of the Committee on Finance authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on December 12, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform and Federal Energy Policy: Incentives to Promote Energy Efficiency."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:19 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 3187. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.

H.R. 6582. An act to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mrs. GILLIBRAND).

At 5:35 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny,

one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following resolution:

H. Res. 829. Resolution to respectfully return to the Senate the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 4310

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That when the Senate receives from the House of Representatives the official papers relative to bill H.R. 4310, passage of the bill, as amended, be vitiated; that the order striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of bill S. 3254, as passed, be vitiated; that all after the enacting clause of bill H.R. 4310 then be stricken, and the text of bill S. 3254, as amended, be modified and inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); that no further amendment be in order; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; that the Senate insist on its amendment, and ask a conference with the House thereon; that the chair appoint conferees, as pursuant to the order of Tuesday, December 4, 2012; and that all occur without intervening action or debate.

Pending debate,

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Pursuant to the order of today,

The bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, having been received from the House of Representatives, the passage of bill H.R. 4310, as amended, on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, was vitiated; and the order striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of the bill (S. 3254) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, as passed, was vitiated.

In further pursuance of the order of today,

All after the enacting clause of bill H.R. 4310 was stricken, and the text of bill S. 3254, as amended, was modified (with the text of amendments Numbered 3332 and 3333), and inserted in lieu thereof (being an amendment, in the nature of a substitute); and bill H.R. 4310, as thus amended, was read the third time, and passed.

In further pursuance of the order of today,

The Senate insisted on its amendment, and asked a conference with the House of Representatives thereon; and the Chair, as authorized, appointed the following as conferees on the part of the Senate: Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. WEBB, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MANCHIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. PORTMAN, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. VITTER.

HOUSE MESSAGE ON BILL H.R. 2838

On the request of Mr. BEGICH,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. MURRAY in the chair) laid before the Senate the message received from the House of Representatives announcing that it had agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the title of the bill (H.R. 2838) to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2013 through 2014, and for other purposes; and that it had agreed to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the Senate to the text of the bill, with an amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. BEGICH,

Resolved, That the Senate concur in the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the House of Representatives to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the Senate to the bill.

A motion to reconsider was made and laid on the table.

COUNTERING IRAN IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE ACT

On the request of Mr. COONS,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3783) to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, September 20, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. COONS (for Mr. RUBIO) to amend the pending bill on page 11, by striking all beginning on line 17 through line 19, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3334).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT OF 1973 TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

On the request of Mr. COONS,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3677) to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, introduced on today by Mr. TIM JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. SHELBY), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CELEBRATING THE WORLD PEACE CORPS MISSION AND THE WORLD PEACE PRIZE

On the request of Mr. COONS,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 614) celebrating the World Peace Corps Mission and the World Peace Prize, submitted today by Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. SNOWE), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2012 NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY

On the request of Mr. COONS,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 615) congratulating the recipients of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Chemistry, submitted today by Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. HAGAN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDER FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3637 ON TOMORROW

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COONS,

Ordered, That, at 11:30 a.m. on tomorrow, the Senate resume consideration of the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; that it be in order for the minority leader, or his designee, to raise a Budget Act point of order against the bill; that, if such point of order is raised, the majority leader, or his designee, be recognized to move to waive; that time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that, at 12 noon, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to a motion to waive, if made; that, if said motion is agreed to, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill; and that if said motion is not agreed to, the motion to bring to a close debate be withdrawn, and the majority leader then be recognized.

Ordered further, That, if said point of order is not raised, time until 12 noon be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; and that, at 12 noon, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on the bill.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COONS,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 11:30 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the first hour therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill S. 3637, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COONS,

At 6:57 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012

Mr. TOM UDALL, from the State of New Mexico, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. TOM UDALL led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 13, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM UDALL, a Senator from the State of New Mexico, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. TOM UDALL took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1546. A bill to authorize certain programs of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-249).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 443. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska (Rept. No. 112-250).

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

S. 3313. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reproductive assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to severely wounded, ill, or injured veterans and their spouses, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3678. A bill to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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

S. 3679. A bill to provide for Indian trust asset management reform, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3680. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and extend the making work pay credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3681. A bill to clarify the collateral requirement for certain loans under section 7(d) of the Small Business Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CASEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3682. A bill to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 3683. A bill to preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in the Glacier Peak Wilderness of the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 616. A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 617. A resolution congratulating the recipient of the 2012 Heisman Memorial Trophy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. CORNYN, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. COBURN, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. REID, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. KOHL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. WARNER, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. CORKER, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. REED, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. Res. 618. A resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 3227

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3227, a bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products.

S. 3623

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts [Mr. KERRY], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE], the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY], the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN], the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND], the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER], the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] and the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3623, a bill to extend the authorizations of appropriations for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 613

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 613, a resolution urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support to the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Improving Care for Dually-Eligible Beneficiaries: A Progress Update."

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 2 p.m., to hold a briefing entitled "National Security Brief on Attacks in Benghazi."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 4 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room 432 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Hurricane Sandy: Assessing the Federal Response and Small Business Recovery Efforts."

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NEAR EASTERN AND SOUTH CENTRAL ASIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 13, 2012, at 10 a.m., to hold a Near Eastern and South Central Asian Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, "Terrorist Networks in Pakistan and the Proliferation of IEDS."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:34 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2467. An act to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.

H.R. 3319. An act to allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe.

H.R. 4014. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

H.R. 4367. An act to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit the fee disclosure requirement for an automatic teller machine to the screen of that machine.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. TOM UDALL).

At 9:49 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 1998. An act to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3542. An act to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked

baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 5817. An act to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to provide an exception to the annual privacy notice requirement.

H.R. 6364. An act to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, to provide for the designation of memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 3(b) of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 15202), the Minority Leader appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Medal of Valor Review Board: Joanne Hayes-White of San Francisco, California.

At 3:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 1379. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service.

S. 3315. An act to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office.

At 4:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1998. An act to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3542. An act to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2838. An act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2013 through 2014, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. TOM UDALL).

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 5817. An act to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to provide an exception to the annual privacy notice requirement; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

TRANSACTION ACCOUNT GUARANTEE PROGRAM TEMPORARY EXTENSION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (S. 3637) to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3318, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 3317, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3316) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions.

Mr. TOOMEY raised a point of order, viz, that the pending bill violates section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. TIM JOHNSON, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act, to waive all applicable provisions of the Act and law, for consideration of the pending bill.

On motion by Mr. TIM JOHNSON,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

After debate,

The question being on agreeing to the motion to waive.

The hour of 12 noon having passed,

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 50, nays... 42

[Rollcall Vote No. 227 Leg.]

YEAS --- 50

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hutchison, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

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Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, DeMint, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. TOOMEY.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the bill not in order.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The foregoing motion not having been agreed to,

The motion to bring to a close debate on bill S. 3637 was withdrawn.

Whereupon,

The bill was committed to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, as pursuant to section 312(f) of the Congressional Budget Act.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 1:45 p.m. on today, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Lorna G. Schofield, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Frank Paul Geraci, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for concurrent debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order, without intervening action or debate; that motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving one rollcall Vote).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDER BILL H.R. 1

On motion by Mr. REID that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the motion.

WOMEN VETERANS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENTS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. MURRAY,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3313) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mrs. MURRAY to amend the pending reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3336).

The amendment was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment to the title.

The reported amendment to the titled was agreed to.

A motion reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, as reported by the Committee, so as to read: "A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reproductive assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to severely wounded, ill, or injured veterans and their spouses, and for other purposes."

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON MONDAY NEXT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at 5 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Fernando M. Olguin, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Thomas M. Durkin, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no further intervening action or debate; that, following the vote, a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table; that no further motion be in order relative to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

PROVIDING FOR DIRECT REVIEW BY THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT OF DECISIONS OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS SUPREME COURT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6116) to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for direct review by the United States Supreme Court of decisions of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR JUDGES OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 2045) to amend title 38, United States Code, to require judges of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to reside within fifty miles of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. BURR) to amend the pending bill on page 2, line 19, by striking "the District of Columbia" and inserting in lieu thereof "the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area" (being amendment No. 3337).

The amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE PRODUCTION OF RECORDS BY THE PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 616) to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the majority leader be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions from today until Monday, December 17, 2012.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2012; that, on Monday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 3 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 1.

Ordered further, That, on Monday next, at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 6:29 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2012.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2012

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, December 17, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

ORDER FOR MOMENT OF SILENCE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate observe a moment of silence to honor the victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

At 2:03 p.m.,

The Senate observed a moment of silence.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 13, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 13, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 13, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. LEAHY for Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3338, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. LEAHY (for Mr. INOUYE) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), on page 16, line 8, by striking "was" and inserting in lieu thereof "were" (being amendment No. 3339).

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The hour of 5 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 13, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business; during which the following occurred:

DEATH OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The majority leader announced to the Senate the passing of Senator DANIEL K. INOUYE.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, December 13, 2012,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on Friday, December 14, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1998. A bill to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3542. A bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate, on Friday, December 14, 2012, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the President of the United States:

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2013 BUDGET AND FINANCIAL PLAN -- PM 63

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to my constitutional authority and as contemplated by section 446 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act as amended in 1989, I am transmitting the District of Columbia's fiscal year (FY) 2013 Budget and Financial Plan. This transmittal does not represent an endorsement of the contents of the D.C. government's requests.

The proposed FY 2013 Budget and Financial Plan reflects the major programmatic objectives of the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia. For FY 2013, the District estimates total revenues and expenditures of $11.4 billion.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *December 14, 2012.*

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Monday, December 17, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1379. A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for

officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service.

S. 3315. A bill to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 675. A bill to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity (Rept. No. 112-251).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1223. A bill to address voluntary location tracking of electronic communications devices, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 3684. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for advanced illness care coordination services for Medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

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

S. 3685. A bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3686. A bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to establish provisions with respect to religious accommodations in employment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3687. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. 3688. A bill to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 619. A resolution to elect Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to be President Pro Tempore of the Senate of the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 620. A resolution to authorize Harry Reid, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to administer the oath of office of President of the Senate Pro Tempore to Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 621. A resolution condemning the horrific attacks in Newtown, Connecticut, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by that tragedy; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 3461

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. PORTMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3461, a bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.

S. 3633

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. BEGICH] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3633, a bill to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Anchorage, Alaska, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversion interest to the City.

S. 3678

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3678, a bill to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 439

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. DURBIN] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 439, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4053. An act to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for

military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. MCKEON, BARTLETT, THORNBERRY, FORBES, MILLER of Florida, WILSON of South Carolina, LOBIONDO, TURNER of Ohio, KLINE, ROGERS of Alabama, SHUSTER, CONAWAY, WITTMAN, HUNTER, RIGELL, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. WEST, Mrs. ROBY, Messrs. SMITH of Washington, REYES, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Messrs. MCINTYRE, ANDREWS, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Messrs. LANGEVIN, LARSEN of Washington, COOPER, Ms. BORDALLO, Messrs. COURTNEY, LOEBSACK, Ms. TSONGAS, and Ms. PINGREE of Maine.

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Messrs. ROGERS of Michigan, NUNES, and RUPPERSBERGER.

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of sections 541 and 561 of the House bill and sections 563 and 571-73 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. PETRI, Mrs. NOEM, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia.

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of sections 312, 601, 727, 3111, 3113, 3114, 3117, 3118, 3132, 3133, 3151, and 3202 of the House bill and sections 736, 758, 914, 3118, 3122, 3152-54, 3156, and 5022 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. WALDEN, WHITFIELD, and WAXMAN.

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of section 661 of the House bill and sections 651-55, subtitle E of title XII, and title L of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mrs. CAPITO, Messrs. HUIZENGA of Michigan, and PERLMUTTER.

From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of sections 227, 230, 335, 355, 952, 1013, 1033, 1035, 1037, 1041, 1043, 1097, 1111, 1202, 1203, 1212, 1213, 1217, 1219, 1234, 1237, 1238, 1240, 1240A, 1240B, 1240C, 1243, 1245-47, 1301, 1303, 1531-33, title XVII, sections 3120, 3121, and 3123 of the House bill and sections 237, 342, 873, subtitle F of title VIII, sections 1013, 1031, 1033, 1042, 1045, 1050, 1093, 1201-04, 1212-15, 1217, 1218, 1223, 1224, 1241, 1242, 1247, 1248, subtitle E of title XII, sections 1301, 1531, 1532, 1534, 3114 and 5023 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Messrs. ROYCE, and BERMAN.

From the Committee on Homeland Security, for consideration of section 1111 of the House bill and section 1803 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. KING of New York, Turner of New York, and THOMPSON of Mississippi.

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of sections 564, 593, 599, 1033, 1084, 1088, 1099C, 1707, and 1709 of the House bill and sections 653, 736, 844, 844A, 897, 899, 1033, 1092, 1096, 1099C, 5021, 5024, subtitle E of title XII and title LI of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. SMITH of Texas, DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, and CONYERS.

From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of sections 316, 317, 601, 2841, 2846, and 2861 of the House bill and sections 271, 312, 1091, 1433, title XIX, and section 2842 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. HASTINGS of Washington, BISHOP of Utah, and MARKEY.

From the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for consideration of sections 313, 651, 663, 801, 812, 833, 952, 1101-04, 1111, 1616, 1683, 1702, 1704-06, and 2811 of the House bill and sections 641, 822, 825, 844, 844A, 892, 894-96, 903, 1099A, 1101-04, and subtitle B of title LIII of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. ISSA, WALBERG, and CUMMINGS.

From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of sections 916, 1074, 1603, 1617, 1661, and 3158 of the House bill and sections 271, 912, 1046, title XVIII, sections 3153, 3159 and 3504 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. HALL, Mrs. BIGGERT, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of sections 1611, 1621-23, 1631, 1632, 1641, 1651-58, 1661, 1671-73, 1681-83, 1691, 1693a, 1695, and 1697 of the House bill and sections 848, 888, 889E, 1090, and 1099E of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, and Ms. VELAZQUEZ.

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of sections 334, 535, 601, 704, 1074, 1078, 2801, and 3509 of the House bill and sections 521, 1803, 1804, 3503-05, 3508, and 3509 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. MICA, COBLE, and BISHOP of New York.

From the Committee on Veterans Affairs, for consideration of sections 355, 564, 565, 664, and 728 of the House bill and sections 642, 755, 756, 759-64, 1044, 1087, 1090, 1097, 1099B, and title L of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. BILIRAKIS, LAMBORN, and MICHAUD.

At 2:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1379. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service.

S. 3315. An act to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. COONS).

STRENGTHENING INVESTIGATIONS OF SEX OFFENDERS AND MISSING CHILDREN ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1792) to clarify the authority of the United States Marshal Service to assist other Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies in the investigation of cases involving sex offenders and missing children.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR VIOLENT CRIMES ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1793) to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. WHITEHOUSE) to strike all after the enacting

clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3341, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AMENDING SECTION 1059(E) OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6223) to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in an executive level security position is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization if at least a portion of such period was spent in Iraq or Afghanistan, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, December 6, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AMENDING THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3687) to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mrs. BOXER, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR VIOLENT CRIMES ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2076) to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. WHITEHOUSE) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3342, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ELECTING A PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 619) to elect Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE PRO TEMPORE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 620) to authorize Harry Reid, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to administer the oath of office of President of the Senate pro tempore to Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, submitted today by Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. DURBIN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONDEMNING THE HORRIFIC ATTACKS IN NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT, AND EXPRESSING SUPPORT AND PRAYERS FOR ALL THOSE IMPACTED BY THAT TRAGEDY

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 621) condemning the horrific attacks in Newtown, Connecticut, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by that tragedy, submitted today by Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

UNINTERRUPTED SCHOLARS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3472) to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mrs. HAGAN (for Ms. LANDRIEU) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3345, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it recess until 10 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the majority control the first half therein, and the minority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 1.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. HAGAN,

At 7:13 p.m.,

The Senate recessed, under its order of today, until 10 a.m. on tomorrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2012

(Legislative day of Monday, December 17, 2012)

Mr. CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, from the State of Delaware, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. COONS led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, December 18, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER A. COONS, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. COONS took the chair.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate observe a moment of silence in remembrance of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

At 10:03 a.m.

The Senate observed a moment of silence.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

LEADER TIME RESERVED

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 12:30 p.m.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified today,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Resolution S. Res. 619 having been agreed to on yesterday,

Mr. LEAHY was escorted to the rostrum by Mr. REID and Mr. SANDERS, and the oath of office of PRESIDENT pro tempore of the Senate of the United States was administered to him by the VICE PRESIDENT, and subscribed by him.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

NOTIFICATION TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 622) notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

NOTIFICATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 623) notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

Pending debate,

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2013" (Rept. No. 112-252).

By Mr. CASEY, from the Joint Economic Committee:

Special Report entitled "Report of the Joint Economic Committee Congress of the United

States on the 2012 Economic Report of the President" (Rept. No. 112-253).

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 3689. A bill to establish a grant program to encourage the use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 622. A resolution notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 623. A resolution notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 624. A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel Ken Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. Con. Res. 63. A concurrent resolution correcting the enrollment of S. 2367; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 64. A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable Daniel K. Inouye; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

S. 1872

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon [Mr. MERKLEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1872, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2347

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mrs. HAGAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2347, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services.

S. 3458

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3458, a bill to require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition.

S. 3655

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3655, a bill to provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy and Tropical Storm Sandy of 2012, and for other purposes.

S. 3678

At the request of Mr. TOOMEY, the name of the Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BURR] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3678, a bill to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 574

At the request of Ms. AYOTTE, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 574, a resolution calling on the United Nations to take concerted actions against leaders in Iran for their statements calling for the destruction of another United Nations Member State, Israel.

SENATE RESOLUTION 613

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. TOOMEY] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 613, a resolution urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support to the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas.

SENATE RESOLUTION 618

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WEBB] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 618, a resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mrs. MURRAY,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Computerized Trading Venues: What Should the Rules of the Road Be?"

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet

during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 18, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:07 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4606. An act to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3193. An act to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

At 2:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 6116. An act to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for direct review by the United States Supreme Court of decisions of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6223. An act to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in a security-related position in an executive or managerial capacity is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization, and for other Purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 6:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 3193. An act to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:33 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2:15 p.m.

AT 2:15 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WEBB in the chair) called the Senate to order.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3339, proposed by Mr. LEAHY (for Mr. INOUYE), to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute), to the bill.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. WYDEN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) in title I, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3367).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on page 2, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 2, page 3 (being amendment No. 3355).

Pending debate,

Mr. MCCAIN asked for the yeas and nays on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

There was not a sufficient second.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3355 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. MCCAIN questioned the presence of a quorum.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. PRYOR in the chair) directed the clerk to call the roll.

Pending the ascertainment of a quorum.

Ms. STABENOW asked unanimous consent that the quorum call be withdrawn.

Mr. MCCAIN objected.

Pending the further ascertainment of a quorum,

When,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MCCAIN,

Ordered, That the quorum call be withdrawn.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3355 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. MCCAIN asked for the yeas and nays on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

There was not a sufficient second.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3355 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. TIM JOHNSON) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on page 72, after line 16, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3350).

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 3276

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 3276) to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes; that the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be in order; and that the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to be proposed thereto:

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY, relative to sunset;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY, relative to oversight;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN, relative to public reporting;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN, relative to back-door searches;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. TESTER, relative to reverse targeting; and

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY, relative to declassification of FISA Court opinions.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the proponents and opponents on each amendment; that there be 2 hours, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the proponents and opponents on the bill; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that no amendment be in order to the amendments prior to the votes in relation thereto; that, upon disposition of the amendments, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended.

Mr. CHAMBLISS objected.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3350 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. COBURN asked unanimous consent that the pending amendment be laid aside; and that he be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 3368).

Mr. REID objected.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3350 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3371).

Pending debate,

CORRECTING THE ENROLLMENT OF BILL S. 2367

On the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MARK UDALL in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 63) correcting the enrollment of bill S. 2367, submitted today by Mr. CONRAD, and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL FOR THE LYING IN STATE OF THE LATE HONORABLE DANIEL K. INOUYE

On the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 64) authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk; and

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE DANIEL KEN INOUYE, SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII

On the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 624) relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel Ken Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii, submitted today by Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. SCOTT BROWN, Mr. SHERROD BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COATS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. RON JOHNSON, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BEN NELSON, Mr. BILL NELSON, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to a period of one hour for the transaction of morning business; that the time therein be equally divided and controlled for debate between the two leaders, or their designees; that the minority control the first half therein, and the majority control the second half therein; and that, following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 1.

Ordered further, That Mrs. HUTCHISON be recognized to speak at 11:30 a.m. for 30 minutes, for remarks relative to her retirement; and that Mr. KYL be recognized to speak at 2 p.m. for 30 minutes, for remarks relative to his retirement.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MENENDEZ,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Ms. MURKOWSKI.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 7:51 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared Senate adjourned, under its order of today, and pursuant to provisions of resolution S. Res. 624, as a further mark of respect for the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye, until 9:30 a.m. on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012

Mrs. KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, from the State of New York, called the Senate to order at 9:30 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 19, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. GILLIBRAND took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Wednesday, December 19, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3193. A bill to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8583. A communication from the Director of Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of 911 Access Loans and Loan Guarantees" (RIN0572-AC24), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 10, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8584. A communication from the Manager of the BioPreferred Program, Office of Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Product Categories for Federal Procurement, Round 9" (RIN0599-AA15), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 11, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8585. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus subtilis Strain QST 713 Variant Soil; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance for Bacillus subtilis Strain QST 713 to Include Residues of Bacillus subtilis Strain QST 713 Variant Soil" (FRL No. 9369-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8586. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions (Multiple Chemicals)" (FRL No. 9372-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8587. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flubendiamide; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9373-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8588. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyriproxyfen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9365-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8589. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Picoxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9370-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8590. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dodine; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9364-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8591. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clodinafop-propargyl; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 9371-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8592. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Purl K. Keen, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8593. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Fiscal Year 2010 Report on the Department of Defense (DoD) Operation and Financial Support for Military Museums; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8594. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2008: Amendments to Program Regulations" (RIN2577-AC80), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8595. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on

December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8596. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Groundfish Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska and Pacific Halibut Fisheries; Observer Program" (RIN0648-BB42), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8597. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gray Triggerfish Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8598. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Black Sea Bass Fishery; Recreational Quota Harvested" (RIN0648-XC303), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8599. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report Filing Process" (RIN1902-AD52), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 11, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8600. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's annual financial audit and management report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8601. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a semiannual report relative to the status of the Commission's licensing and regulatory duties; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8602. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; South Coast Air Quality Management District; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gases" (FRL No. 9749-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8603. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Wyoming; Regional Haze Rule Requirements for Mandatory Class I Areas under 40 CFR 51.309" (FRL No. 9756-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8604. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Stratospheric Ozone; Listing of Substitutes for Ozone Depleting Substances - Fire Suppression and Explosion Protection" (FRL No. 9757-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8605. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Determination for Renewable Fuels Produced Under the Final RFS2 Program From Grain Sorghum" (FRL No. 9760-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8606. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; South Bend/Elkhart, Indiana Ozone Maintenance Plan Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets" (FRL No. 9761-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8607. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Fredericksburg 8-Hour Ozone Maintenance Area Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets" (FRL No. 9760-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8608. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Attainment Plan for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standards; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 9762-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8609. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; The 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory for the Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley Nonattainment Area for 1997 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9760-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8610. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9750-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8611. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Stormwater Regulations to Clarify that an NPDES Permit is not Required for Stormwater Discharges from Logging Roads" (FRL No. 9758-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8612. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations Consistency Update for California" (FRL No. 9750-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8613. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Air Quality

Implementation Plans; California; Eastern Kern, Imperial, Placer, and Yolo-Solano; Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (FRL No. 9739-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8614. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Washington; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9722-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8615. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9736-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8616. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval, Disapproval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Regional Haze Rule Requirements for Mandatory Class I Areas under 40 CFR 51.309" (FRL No. 9751-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8617. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; Determination of Attainment of the 2006 Fine Particle Standard" (FRL No. 9763-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8618. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances" (FRL No. 9372-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8619. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal of Significant New Use Rules" (FRL No. 9373-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8620. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS; Revisions to FIPs To Reduce Interstate Transport of PM2.5 and Ozone; Correction" (FRL No. 9763-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8621. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Permits for Major Stationary Sources and Major Modifications Locating in Prevention of Significant Deterioration Areas and Permits for Major Stationary Sources Locating in Nonattainment Areas or the Ozone Transport Region" (FRL No. 9763-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8622. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-143, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KOHL, from the Special Committee on Aging:

Special Report entitled "Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia: A Comparison of International Approaches" (Rept. No. 112-254).

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 1980, A bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures (Rept. No. 112-255).

Report to accompany S. 2388, A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-256).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1910. A bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees (Rept. No. 112-257).

S. 241. A bill to expand whistleblower protections to non-Federal employees whose disclosures involve misuse of Federal funds.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment:

S. 1100. A bill to amend title 41, United States Code, to prohibit inserting politics into the Federal acquisition process by prohibiting the submission of political contribution information as a condition of receiving a Federal contract.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 2234. A bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. TOOMEY:

S. 3690. A bill to require the Government Accountability Office to include in its annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relating to bids for contracts; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3691. A bill to minimize the economic and social costs resulting from losses of life, property, well-being, business activity, and economic growth associated with extreme weather events by ensuring that the United States is more resilient to the impacts of extreme weather events in the short- and long-term, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3692. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize National Guard support for State and local efforts to keep schools safe from violence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 3693. A bill to enhance the safety of America's schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3694. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3695. A bill to amend section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 3696. A bill to provide for the admission of the State of New Columbia into the Union; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 3697. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act relating to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 3698. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. VITTER):

S. Res. 625. A resolution recognizing the January 12, 2013, opening of the United States Freedom Pavilion: The Boeing Center at the National World War II Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana, and supporting plans for other educational pavilions and initiatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. Con. Res. 65. A concurrent resolution congratulating the Navy and the current and former officers and crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise (CVN 65) on completion of the 25th and final deployment of the vessel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 35

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] was added as a cosponsor of S. 35, a bill to establish background check procedures for gun shows.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania [Mr. CASEY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1709

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mrs. GILLIBRAND] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1709, a bill to temporarily reduce interest rates for certain small business disaster loans, and for other purposes.

S. 2134

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. LAUTENBERG] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2134, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 3280

At the request of Mr. JOHANNS, the name of the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. PAUL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3280, a bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

S. 3518

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. WHITEHOUSE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3518, a bill to make it a principal negotiating objective of the United States in trade negotiations to eliminate government fisheries subsidies, and for other purposes.

S. 3623

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. MANCHIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3623, a bill to extend the authorizations of appropriations for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes.

S. 3635

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. BLUMENTHAL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3635, a bill to provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 62

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 62, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that our current tax incentives for retirement savings provide important benefits to Americans to help plan for a financially secure retirement.

SENATE RESOLUTION 613

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Alabama [Mr. SESSIONS], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. HELLER], the Senator from Michigan [Mr. LEVIN], the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Alaska [Ms. MURKOWSKI] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 613, a resolution urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support to the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas.

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 613, supra.

SENATE RESOLUTION 618

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the names of the Senator from Indiana [Mr. LUGAR], the Senator from Arizona [Mr. MCCAIN] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. GRASSLEY] were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 618, a resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BINGAMAN,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012, at 8:30 a.m., to hold a briefing entitled, "Accountability Review Board".

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "The State of the Right to Vote After the 2012 Election."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ON CONSUMER PROTECTION

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 19, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Making Sense of Consumer Credit Reports."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 9:46 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 285. An act for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke.

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

H.R. 6014. An act to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement DNA arrestee collection processes.

H.R. 6671. An act to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.

At 12:27 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 3642. An act to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996.

S. 3687. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House passed the following bills and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6504. An act to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide for increased limitations on leverage for multiple licenses under common control, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6621. An act to correct and improve certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invests Act and title 35, United States Code.

H.J. Res. 122. Joint resolution establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3783) to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere, and for other purposes.

At 2:52 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 285. An act for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke

H.R. 3783. An act to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing hostile presence and activity in the Western Hemisphere, and for other Purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 2:09 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 63. Concurrent resolution correcting the enrollment of S. 2367.

S. Con. Res. 64. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable Daniel K. Inouye.

The message also announced that the Clerk of the House be directed to return to the Senate the bill (S. 2367) to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes, in compliance with a request of the Senate for the return thereof.

At 3:40 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the house passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6672. An act to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House passed the following bill with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1440. An act to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

At 6:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6655. An act to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 6655. An act to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3371, proposed by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN), to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. LEAHY (for Mr. INOUYE), to the bill.

The pending amendment was laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

On motion by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. AKAKA) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3344).

Pending debate,

Mr. MERKLEY called for the regular order with respect to amendment No. 3367.

Whereupon,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, proposed by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. WYDEN),

to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. MERKLEY, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the following be added as cosponsors of the pending amendment: Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, and Mr. TOM UDALL.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COBURN,

Ordered, That amendment No. 3371 be the pending question.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3371 to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. COBURN, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3371, as modified, to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. COBURN demanded a division of the pending amendment, as modified; as follows: page 1, line 1 through line 21, page 2, being designated as Division I; page 3, line 1 through line 9, page 4, being designated as Division II; page 4, lines 10 through 23, being designated as Division III; page 5, line 1 through line 25, page 6, being designated as Division IV; page 7, lines 1 through 11, being designated as Division V; page 7, lines 12 through 24, being designated as Division VI; page 8, lines 1 through 7, being designated as Division VII; page 8, lines 8 and 9, being designated as Division VIII; page 8, lines 10 through 25, being designated as Division IX.

The question being on Division IX of amendment No. 3371, as modified, to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR RECESS ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. LEAHY,

Ordered, That, following remarks by Mr. COATS, the Senate recess, subject to the call of the chair.

After debate,

RECESS

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 5:18 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) declared the Senate recessed, subject to the call of the chair.

AT 9:46 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER called the Senate to order.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on Division IX of amendment No. 3371, as modified, to amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Mr. LEAHY withdrew the pending amendment No. 3338 (in the nature of a substitute, taking with it amendments Numbered 3371, as modified and divided, 3367, as modified, 3344, 3350, 3355, and 3339 thereto).

The question being on passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3395, in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3396).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "7 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "6 days" (being amendment No. 3397).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute); which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill H.R. 1:

HARRY REID, PATRICK J. LEAHY, BEN CARDIN, MARK BEGICH, JOE MANCHIN, TOM HARKIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, MARY LANDRIEU, CHRIS COONS, AMY KLOBUCHAR, BILL NELSON, DEBBIE STABENOW, JACK REED, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, TOM UDALL, BERNARD SANDERS, S. WHITEHOUSE.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the quorum under the rule be waived.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) .

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "5 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "4 days" (being amendment No. 3399).

On motion by Mr. REID to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment (Numbered 3400).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending motion.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the pending motion to commit by striking "3 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "2 days" (being amendment No. 3401).

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. REID to amend the pending amendment by striking "2 days" and inserting in lieu thereof "1 day" (being amendment No. 3402).

Mr. REID presented a motion to bring to a close debate on the pending bill; which was stated, as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on bill H.R. 1:

HARRY REID, PATRICK J. LEAHY, BEN CARDIN, MARK BEGICH, JOE MANCHIN, TOM HARKIN, JEFF BINGAMAN, MARY LANDRIEU, CHRIS COONS, AMY KLOBUCHAR, BILL NELSON, DEBBIE STABENOW, JACK REED, KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, TOM UDALL, BERNARD SANDERS, S. WHITEHOUSE.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3402 to amendment No. 3401 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the pending motion to commit the pending bill to the Committee on Appropriations.

IMPROVING TRANSPARENCY OF EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4057) to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a

comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for Mrs. MURRAY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3405, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FOREIGN AND ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE PENALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 6029) to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for increased penalties for foreign and economic espionage, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY for Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. LEE) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3406, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE CALENDAR, EN BLOC

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the following bills, en bloc:

H.R. 3477. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building;

H.R. 3870. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6083 Highway 36 West in Rose Bud, Arkansas, as the "Nicky 'Nick' Daniel Bacon Post Office";

H.R. 3912. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building";

H.R. 5738. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex";

H.R. 5837. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building";

H.R. 5954. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building";

S. 3630. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office";

S. 3662. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bills, en bloc.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the bills be read the third time, and passed, en bloc; and that a motion to reconsider, en bloc, be considered made and laid on the table.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE REWARDS PROGRAM UPDATE AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2318) to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DIGNIFIED BURIAL OF VETERANS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3202) to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for Mrs. MURRAY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3407, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FORMERLY OWNED RESOURCES FOR VETERANS TO EXPRESS THANKS FOR SERVICE ACT

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3698) to amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property, introduced on today by Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. SCOTT BROWN), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

OBSERVING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF CIVIL RIGHTS ICON ROSA PARKS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 618) observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That Mr. WEBB be added as cosponsor of the resolution.

RECOGNIZING THE OPENING OF THE UNITED STATES FREEDOM PAVILION: THE BOEING CENTER AT THE NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MUSEUM IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

On the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 625) recognizing the January 12, 2013, opening of the United States Freedom Pavilion: The Boeing Center at the National World War II Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana, and supporting plans for other educational pavilions and initiatives, submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. VITTER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

UNITED STATES – CHINA ECONOMIC SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, as amended by Public Law 108-7, and upon the recommendation of the minority leader, in consultation with the ranking members of the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Finance, had appointed the following individuals to the United States – China Economic Security Review Commission: Robin Cleveland, of Virginia, Dennis Shea, of Virginia, and James M. Talent, of Missouri.

The PRESIDING OFFICER announced that the PRESIDENT pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, as amended by Public Law 108-7, and upon the recommendation of the majority leader, in consultation with the Chairmen of the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Finance, had appointed the following individual to the United States – China Economic Security Review Commission: Katherine Tobin, of Virginia.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 11 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then resume consideration of bill H.R. 1.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

At 10:21 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 11 a.m. on tomorrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2012

Mr. SHERROD BROWN, from the State of Ohio, called the Senate to order at 11 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. SHERROD BROWN led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Bill Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 20, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable SHERROD BROWN, a Senator from the State of Ohio, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. SHERROD BROWN took the chair.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 1

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That it be in order for the instruction lines to be modified on amendments intended to be proposed to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill H.R. 1.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3402, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 3401, proposed by Mr. REID, to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions.

ESTABLISHING THE DATE FOR THE COUNTING OF THE ELECTORAL VOTES

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANDERS in the chair) laid before the Senate the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 122) establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the joint resolution.

The question being on passage of the joint resolution; and

No amendment being proposed,

The joint resolution was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3402 to amendment No. 3401 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of Matthew W. Brann, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Malachy Edward Mannion, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and Jon S. Tigar, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in the aforementioned order, with no intervening action or debate; that, following the votes, motions to reconsider be made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3402 to amendment No. 3401 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 4310

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the conference report on the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the leaders, or their designees; and that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the conference report.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3402 to amendment No. 3401 to the instructions (designated amendment No. 3400) contained in the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Thursday, December 20, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 285. A bill for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke.

S. 2170. A bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the 'Hatch Act', to scale back the provision forbidding certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title.

S. 2367. A bill to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3311. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse".

S. 3564. To extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2014 and for other purposes.

S. 3642. A bill to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996.

S. 3687. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The following message from the President of the United States was transmitted to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries:

NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S INTENT TO TERMINATE THE DESIGNATION OF THE FEDERATION OF SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS AS A BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAM -- PM 64

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "1974 Act") (19 U.S.C. 2462(f)(2)), I am providing notification of my intent to terminate the designation of the Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis (St. Kitts and Nevis) as a beneficiary developing country under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. Section 502(e) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(e)) provides that if the President determines that a beneficiary developing country has become a "high-income" country, as defined by the official statistics of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (i.e., the World Bank), then the President shall terminate the designation of such country as a beneficiary developing country for purposes of the GSP, effective on January 1 of the second year following the year in which such determination is made.

Pursuant to section 502(e) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to terminate the designation of St. Kitts and Nevis as a beneficiary developing country under the GSP program because it has become a high-income country as defined by the World Bank. Accordingly, St. Kitts and Nevis' eligibility for trade benefits under the GSP program will end on January 1, 2014.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *December 20, 2012.*

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8623. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spirotetramat; Pesticide Tolerance for Emergency Exemption" (FRL No. 9373-2), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8624. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management

Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Difenzoquat; Data Call-in Order for Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9372-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8625. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quinclorac; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9372-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8626. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances, Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9367-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8627. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9369-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8628. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act that occurred in the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Construction, Minor Projects appropriation (Department of Treasury account symbol 36X0111); to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8629. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8630. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8631. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "HUD Acquisition Regulations (HUDAR)" (RIN2501-AD56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8632. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Section 232 Healthcare Mortgage Insurance Program: Partial Payment of Claims" (RIN2502-AJ04), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8633. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Authorization Validated End-User Provisions: Requirement for Notice of Export, Reexport or Transfer (In-Country) and Clarification Regarding Termination of Conditions on VEU Authorizations" (RIN0694-AF19), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8634. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Dates for Certain Requirements of Rule 19b-4(n)(1) and Rule 19b-4(o)(2) and Amendment of Form 19b-4" (RIN3235-AK87), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8635. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Solid Waste Rail Transfer Facilities" (RIN2140-AA92), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8636. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 32, 51, and 69 of the Commission's Rules" (DA 12-1552), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 14, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8637. A communication from the General Attorney, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Child-Resistant Packaging: Products Containing Imidazolines Equivalent to 0.08 Milligrams or More" (CPSC Docket No. CPSC-2012-0005), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 17, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8638. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition Regulation: Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation, Government Property" (RIN1991-AB86), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 17, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8639. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Imperial County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9730-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8640. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Delaware County (Muncie), Indiana Ozone Maintenance Plan Revision to Approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets" (FRL No. 9762-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8641. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; South Carolina 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Correction" (FRL No. 9762-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8642. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program - Deletion of Final

Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Emission Cutpoint Standards" (FRL No. 9676-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8643. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Chemical Manufacturing Area Sources" (FRL No. 9725-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8644. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Assessing the Feasibility of Extending the Hospital Acquired Conditions (HAC) IPPS Payment Policy to Non-IPPS Settings"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8645. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Certain Exceptions to Disclosure Requirements under Treas. Reg. 1. 6011-4(b)(5)" (Rev. Proc. 2013-11), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8646. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deduction for Qualified Film and Television Production Costs" ((RIN1545-BJ23)(TD 9603)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8647. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Rev. Proc. 2012-78), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 11, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8648. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Cumulative List of Changes in Plan Qualification Requirements" (Notice 2012-76), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8649. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Voluntary Classification Settlement Program" (Announcement 2012-45), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8650. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Voluntary Classification Settlement Program - Temporary Eligibility Expansion" (Rev. Proc. 2012-46), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8651. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taxable Medical Devices" (TD 9604), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 13, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8652. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update to Announcement 2012-25 - Extension of Time" (Announcement 2012-50), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8653. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FICA Taxes on Wages Paid to Residents of the Philippines for Services Performed in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands" (Rev. Proc. 2012-43), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8654. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of an item not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8655. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to extending and amending the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Guatemala Concerning the Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological Objects and Material from the Pre-Columbian Cultures of Guatemala; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8656. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of a Danger Pay Allowance for Tunisia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8657. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period August 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8658. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a report relative to section 38(f)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC F10-001); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8659. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-151); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8660. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-160); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8661. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-147); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8662. A joint communication from the Presiding Governor and the Director (International Broadcasting Bureau), Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8663. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Mound Plant in Miamisburg, OH, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8664. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the United Nuclear Corporation in Hematite, Missouri, to the Special Exposure

Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8665. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at Nuclear Metals, Inc. (or subsequent owner) in West Concord, Massachusetts, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8666. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (X-10) in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8667. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, New Mexico, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8668. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Weldon Spring Plant in Weldon Spring, Missouri, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8669. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Mound Plant in Miamisburg, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8670. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4022), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 12, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8671. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration on Aging Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2011; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8672. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Targeted Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Methamphetamine or Other Substance Abuse: Second Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF A COMMITTEE

The following reports of a committee were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany H.R. 2471, A bill to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet (Rept. No. 112-258).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 3523. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend protection to fashion design, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-259).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. CARPER:

S. 3699. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include information on the coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity in the Medicare and You Handbook, to provide written notification to beneficiaries and providers regarding new Medicare coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity, and to provide for the coordination of programs to prevent and treat obesity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. MCCASKILL:

S. 3700. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. 3701. A bill to designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances in Lyon County, Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3702. A bill to provide grants to establish veteran's treatment courts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3703. A bill to improve the ability of consumers to control their digital data usage, promote Internet use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 3704. A bill to clarify the authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 626. A resolution designating April 24, 2014, as "Jan Karski Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 627. A resolution designating the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the names of the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. ROCKEFELLER] and the Senator from Iowa [Mr. HARKIN] were added as cosponsors of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 998

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 998, a bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60.

S. 1244

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Missouri [Mrs. MCCASKILL] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 618

At the request of Mr. WICKER, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 618, a resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WARNER,

Ordered, That the following committees be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 20, 2012.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 20, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 20, 2012, at 9 a.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "Benghazi: The Attacks and the Lessons Learned."

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on December 20, 2012, in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on December 20, 2012, at 11 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Recovering From Superstorm Sandy: Rebuilding Our Infrastructure."

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 11:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 2170. An act to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the "Hatch Act", to scale back the provision forbidding certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title.

S. 3311. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse".

S. 3564. An act to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2014 and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 1845. An act to provide a demonstration project providing Medicare coverage for in-home administration of intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) and to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

H.R. 4062. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1444 Main Street in Ramona, California, as the "Nelson 'Mac' MacWilliams Post Office Building".

H.R. 6016. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for investigative leave requirements with respect to Senior Executive Service employees, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6166. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 333 West Broadway Street in San Diego, California, as the "James M. Carter and Judith N. Keep United States Courthouse".

H.R. 6633. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 East Pecan Street in Sherman, Texas, as the "Paul Brown United States Courthouse".

At 3:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2170. An act to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the "Hatch Act", to scale back the provision forbidding certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title.

S. 2367. An act to strike the word "lunatic" from Federal law, and for other purposes.

S. 3311. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin United States Courthouse".

S. 3564. An act to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2014 and for other purposes.

S. 3642. An act to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996.

S. 3687. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 5:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agreed to the following resolution:

H. Res. 839. Resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the SPEAKER appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2014: Mr. Larry Wortzel of Williamsburg, Virginia.

At 7:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for the purposes.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 6016. To amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for investigative leave requirements with respect to Senior Executive Service employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM THE UNITED STATES TO THE MANIILAQ ASSOCIATION LOCATED IN KOTZEBUE, ALASKA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 443) to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for Ms. MURKOWSKI) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3423, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO EFFORTS TO PREVENT WASTEFUL FEDERAL SPENDING

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4053) to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Monday, December 17, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REAUTHORIZING AND AMENDING THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION COMMISSIONED OFFICER CORPS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 2388) to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. BEGICH) to amend the pending reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) on various pages and lines, by striking certain words and inserting other words (being amendment No. 3424).

The amendment was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE RELATIVE TO ELIMINATION OF "ADULT ENTERTAINMENT" SECTION ON BACKPAGE.COM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 439) expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the "adult entertainment" section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2012 HEISMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 617) congratulating the recipient of the 2012 Heisman Memorial Trophy.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 627) designating the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, submitted today by Mr. REID, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO OBTAINING OF CONSUMER CONSENT BY CERTAIN SERVICE PROVIDERS

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6671) to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 1 P.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 1 p.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to consider the conference report on bill H.R. 4310, as pursuant to the order of today; that, upon disposition of the conference report, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) to bill H.R. 1; and that the quorum in relation thereto, under rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be waived.

Ordered further, That Senators be authorized to "file" second-degree amendments until 1:30 p.m. on tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 9:24 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 1 p.m. on tomorrow.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2012

Mr. SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, from the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, called the Senate to order at 1 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 21, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, a Senator from the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

CONFRERENCE REPORT ON BILL H.R. 4310

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the conference report.

The question being on agreeing to the conference report.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the conference report.

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---

yeas... 81, nays... 14

[Rollcall Vote No. 229 Leg.]

YEAS --- 81

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

NAYS --- 14

Barrasso, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Franken, Grassley, Harkin, Leahy, Lee, Merkley, Paul, Risch, Sanders, Wyden.

So the conference report was agreed to.

ORDER RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 1

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011; that if said motion is not agreed to, the majority leader then be recognized; that if the motion is agreed to, Mr. TOOMEY, or his designee, then be recognized to raise a Budget Act point of order against amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute); that if said point of order is raised, Mr. LEAHY, or his designee, be recognized to move to waive; that there be 10 minutes for debate on the motion; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive; and that no other Budget Act point of order be in order against amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) or bill H.R. 1.

Ordered further, That, notwithstanding rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following amendments be in order to be proposed:

An amendment (Numbered 3393), intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN, relative to surety bonds;

An amendment (Numbered 3348) intended to be proposed by Mr. GRASSLEY, relative to Department of Justice vehicles;

An amendment (Numbered 3421), intended to be proposed by Mrs. FEINSTEIN, relative to U.S. Army Corps projects;

An amendment (Numbered 3426), intended to be proposed by Mr. HARKIN, technical in nature, relative to grants;

An amendment (Numbered 3415), intended to be proposed by Ms. LANDRIEU, relative to emergency reimbursements;

An amendment (Numbered 3403), intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY, relative to U.S. embassy security;

An amendment (Numbered 3384), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN, relative to Amtrak;

An amendment (Numbered 3344), intended to be proposed by Mr. BINGAMAN, relative to Palau;

An amendment (Numbered 3368), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to cost-sharing and the U.S. Army Corps;

An amendment (Numbered 3369), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to notification triggers;

An amendment (Numbered 3370), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to delinquent tax debts and fisheries;

An amendment (Numbered 3371), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to severe disasters;

An amendment (Numbered 3382), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to merit-based recovery contracts;

An amendment (Numbered 3383), intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN, relative to striking certain studies and the U.S. Army Corps;

An amendment (Numbered 3350), intended to be proposed by Mr. TESTER, relative to fire management;

An amendment (Numbered 3376), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, relative to non-application of the Davis-Bacon Act;

An amendment (Numbered 3410), intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, relative to an offset;

An amendment (Numbered 3355), intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN, relative to striking emergency forest restoration;

An amendment (Numbered 3367), intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY, relative to extending Department of Agriculture disaster assistance programs;

An amendment (Numbered 3373), intended to be proposed by Mr. LEE, relative to special rules relative to retirement funds; and

An amendment (Numbered 3391), intended to be proposed by Mr. COATS, relative to a minority-party alternative.

Ordered further, That it be in order for the following amendments to be modified:

amendment No. 3421, amendment No. 3384, amendment No. 3370, amendment No. 3367, and amendment No. 3373; and that it be in order for amendment No. 3370 to be divided.

Ordered further, That no amendment be in order to the amendments prior to votes in relation thereto; that each amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on each amendment; that there be 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on the each of the following amendments: amendment No. 3368, amendment No. 3369, amendment No. 3370, and the divisions thereof, amendment No. 3371, amendment No. 3382, amendment No. 3383, and amendment No. 3373; that there be 40 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on the following amendments: amendment No. 3376, and amendment No. 3410; and that there be one hour, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate on amendment No. 3391.

Ordered further, That, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendments in the aforementioned order; that there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate between the votes; that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration; that, upon disposition of the aforementioned amendments, the Senate vote in relation to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as may be amended; that, upon disposition of amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as may be amended, the motion to bring to a close debate on bill H.R. 1 be withdrawn; that the bill, as amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as amended.

MOTION TO BRING TO A CLOSE DEBATE RELATIVE TO BILL H.R. 1

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the motion, presented by Mr. REID, on Wednesday, December 19, 2012, to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That each of the following 2 votes be 10 minutes in duration.

Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, December 19, 2012,

The quorum under the rule having been waived,

Pursuant to the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated the question to be: Is it the sense of the Senate that debate shall be brought to a close?

The question being taken.

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 91, nays... 1

[Rollcall Vote No. 230 Leg.]

YEAS --- 91

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 1

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So the motion was agreed to; three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The motion to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) having been agreed to, the motion, by Mr. REID, to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report back with an amendment (numbered 3400), and amendments numbered 3402, and 3401 thereto, being inconsistent with cloture, fell.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3399, proposed by Mr. REID, to amendment No. 3398, proposed by Mr. REID, to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute).

After debate,

Mr. TOOMEY raised a point of order, viz, that the emergency designation contained in title IV of pending amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute) violates provisions of section 314(e)(1), and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI, under section 314(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to waive provisions of that Act and law for consideration of amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 57, nays... 34

[Rollcall Vote No. 231 Leg.]

YEAS --- 57

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boxer, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 34

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Chambliss, Coats, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Thune, Toomey, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. TOOMEY.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the section of the amendment (containing the emergency designation) was stricken.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3399 to amendment No. 3398 to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered by the foregoing point of order.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL H.R. 5949

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 5949) to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years; and that the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to the be proposed:

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY, relative to Judiciary Committee

reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute);

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY, relative to FISA court opinions;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, relative to 4th Amendment searches and seizures;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN, relative to public reporting.

Mr. REID further asked unanimous consent that there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on each amendment between proponents and opponents thereto; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said amendments in the aforementioned order; that no amendment be in order to said amendments; that, upon disposition of the amendments; the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill as may be amended.

Mr. MCCONNELL objected.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL H.R. 5949

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 5949; and that the following be the only first-degree amendments in order to the be proposed:

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEAHY, relative to Judiciary Committee reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute);

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY, relative to FISA court opinions;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, relative to 4th Amendment searches and seizures;

An amendment, intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN, relative to public reporting.

Ordered further, That there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on each amendment between proponents and opponents thereto; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on the question of agreeing to said amendments in the aforementioned order; that no amendment be in order to said amendments; that each amendment receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to be agreed to; that upon disposition of the amendments; the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill as may be amended.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3399 to amendment No. 3398 to the language of the bill proposed to be stricken by amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following amendments be withdrawn: amendment No. 3396 (taking with it amendment No. 3397 thereto), and amendment No. 3398 (taking with it amendment No. 3399 thereto).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8673. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-63, Introduction" (FAC 2005-63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 10, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8674. A communication from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Railroad Retirement Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2012, including the Office of Inspector General's Auditor's Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8675. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8676. A communication from the Presiding Governor of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8677. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 and the Management Response for the period ending September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8678. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2012 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8679. A communication from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8680. A communication from the Acting Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8681. A communication from the Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8682. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Education for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8683. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report from the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8684. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Performance and

Accountability Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8685. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8686. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3353-EM in the State of Connecticut having exceeded the $5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8687. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8688. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8689. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 and the Compendium of Unimplemented Recommendations as of September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8690. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8691. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-64), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8692. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-64, Introduction" (FAC 2005-64), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8693. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Service Contracts" ((RIN9000-AM21)(FAC 2005-64)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8694. A communication from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Live Swine, Swine Semen, Pork, and Pork Products; Estonia, Hungary, Slovakia, and Slovenia" ((RIN0579-AD20)-(Docket No. APHIS-2008-043)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8695. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyraflufen-ethyl; Extension of Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9373-5), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8696. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the feasibility and advisability of terminating the military technician as a distinct personnel management category of the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8697. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-63), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8698. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive/Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Iran Threat Reduction" ((RIN9000-AM44)-(FAC 2005-63)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8699. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Transportation's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8700. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Harry M. Wyatt III, Air National Guard of the United States, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8701. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual Equipment Transparency Report (ETR); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8702. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Comptroller's Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8703. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Legal Division, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Reinvestment Act Regulations" (Docket No. R-1454), received on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8704. A communication from the Associate Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Transactions and Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 560), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8705. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on

December 19, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8706. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedures for Residential Water Heaters, Direct Heating Equipment, and Pool Heaters (Standby Mode and Off Mode)" (RIN1904-AB95), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8707. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Availability and Price of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Produced in Countries Other Than Iran"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8708. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Kentucky; Redesignation of the Kentucky Portion of the Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9763-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8709. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; South Carolina; Redesignation of the Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, North Carolina-South Carolina 1997 8-Hour Ozone Moderate Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9763-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8710. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Modifications to the Transmix Provisions Under the Diesel Sulfur Program" (FRL No. 9763-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8711. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Idaho; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9726-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8712. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Redesignation of the West Virginia Portion of the Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Nonattainment Area to Attainment and Approval of the Associated Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9764-4), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8713. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines - Military Disability Retirement Benefits" (UIL No: 104.04-00, 122.01-00), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8714. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates - January 2013" (Rev. Rul. 2013-1), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8715. A communication from the Chief of the Border Security Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closing of the Port of Whitetail, MT" (RIN1651-AA93), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8716. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule to Increase the Commercial Annual Catch Limit for South Atlantic Yellowtail Snapper" (RIN0648-BC59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8717. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 35" (RIN0648-BB97), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8718. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs and Chief Financial Officer, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8719. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-139); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8720. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-173); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8721. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-169); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8722. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Policies; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8723. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2012-0184 - 2012-0203); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8724. A communication from the Director of the Regulations, Legislation, and Interpretation Division, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Service Contracts; Effective Date" (RIN1215-AB69; RIN1235-AA02), received

in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8725. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8726. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Food and Drug Administration's annual report on the performance evaluation of FDA-approved mammography quality standards accreditation bodies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8727. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Brewers Bond Reduction" (RIN1513-AB94), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8728. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Micro Entity Status for Pay Patient Fees" (RIN0651-AC78), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8729. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Directors, Office of Compliance, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to recommendations for improvements to the Congressional Accountability Act; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-137. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of Rockland County, New York, memorializing Israel's right to exist and to take such actions as may be necessary to defend itself against outside attacks; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 911, A bill to establish the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, bipartisan legislation to strengthen public safety and to enhance wireless communications (Rept. No. 112-260).

Report to accompany S. 1449, A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds for highway safety programs and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-261).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1262. A bill to improve Indian education, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-262).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with amendments:

S. 1684. A bill to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-263).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 3705. A bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 3706. A bill to amend chapter 301 of title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the rental of motor vehicles that contain a defect related to motor vehicle safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 3707. A bill to authorize utilities to obtain national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KYL:

S. 3708. A bill to encourage reporting of child abuse; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Ohio):

S. 3709. A bill to require a Government Accountability Office examination of transactions between large financial institutions and the Federal Government, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. PAUL:

S.J. Res. 51. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service of the Department of the Treasury relating to taxable medical devices; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 32

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 32, a bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes.

S. 35

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. COONS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 35, a bill to establish background check procedures for gun shows.

S. 818

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from New York [Mr. SCHUMER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 818, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare.

S. 847

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BENNET] was added as a cosponsor of S. 847, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes.

S. 1468

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1468, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by authorizing certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services, under part B of the Medicare program.

S. 3077

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Florida [Mr. RUBIO] and the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. HOEVEN] were added as cosponsors of S. 3077, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

S. 3338

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire [Mrs. SHAHEEN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3338, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy

treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly.

AUTHORITY FOR A COMMITTEE TO MEET

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the following committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate following a vote on the Senate Floor on December 21, 2012.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 1:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, without amendment:

S. 925. An act to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence.

S.J. Res. 49. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

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

H.R. 1509. An act to amend title II of the Social Security Act to prohibit the inclusion of Social Security account numbers on Medicare cards.

H.R. 3197. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Spokane, Washington, as the "Mann-Grandstaff Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 3378. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 Elm Avenue in Munising, Michigan, as the "Elizabeth L. Kinnunen Post Office Building".

H.R. 3869. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the "Sidney 'Sid' Sanders McMath Post Office Building".

H.R. 4389. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19 East Merced Street in Fowler, California, as the "Cecil E. Bolt Post Office".

H.R. 6260. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 211 Hope Street in Mountain View, California, as the "Lieutenant Kenneth M. Ballard Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 6379. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6239 Savannah Highway in Ravenel, South Carolina, as the "Representative Curtis B. lnabinett, Sr. Post Office".

H.R. 6443. An act to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 9800 West Commercial Boulevard in Sunrise, Florida, as the "William 'Bill' Kling VA Clinic".

H.R. 6587. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 Simi Village Drive in Simi Valley, California, as the "Postal Inspector Terry Asbury Post Office Building".

H.R. 6684. An act to provide for spending reduction.

At 2:29 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following bills and joint resolution:

H.R. 3477. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building.

H.R. 3870. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6083 Highway 36 West in Rose Bud, Arkansas, as the "Nicky 'Nick' Daniel Bacon Post Office".

H.R. 3912. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building".

H.R. 5738. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex".

H.R. 5837. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the "Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building".

H.R. 5954. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.J. Res. 122. Joint resolution establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The enrolled bills and joint resolution were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 3:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 146. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 1509. An act to amend title II of the Social Security Act to prohibit the inclusion of Social Security account numbers on Medicare cards; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 3197. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Spokane, Washington, as the "Mann-Grandstaff Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 6443. An act to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 9800 West Commercial Boulevard in Sunrise, Florida, as the "William 'Bill' Kling VA Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS, AS BIRTHPLACE OF THE NATIONAL GUARD

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Armed Services be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1339) to amend title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DRYWALL SAFETY ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4212) to prevent the introduction into commerce of unsafe drywall, to ensure the manufacturer of drywall is readily identifiable, to ensure that problematic drywall removed from homes is not reused, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BILL NELSON, and Ms. LANDRIEU) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3432, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REPEALING CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COST REPORTED REQUIREMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5859) to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FRANK BUCKLES WORLD WAR I MEMORIAL ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WYDEN in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6364) to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, to provide for the designation of memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Thursday, December 13, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. MCCASKILL (for herself and Mr. BLUNT) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3433, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

REQUIRING A GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE EXAMINATION OF CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3709) to require a Government Accountability Office examination of transactions between large financial institutions and the Federal Government, and for other purposes, introduced on today by Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. SHERROD BROWN), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. SHERROD BROWN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3434, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

URGING THE GOVERNMENTS OF EUROPE AND THE EUROPEAN UNION TO DESIGNATE HIZBALLAH AS A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution (S. Res. 613) urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MEDICARE IVIG ACCESS AND STRENGTHENING MEDICARE AND REPAYING TAXPAYERS ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 1845) to provide a demonstration project providing Medicare coverage for in-home administration of intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) and to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on yesterday, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS DURING RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the PRESIDENT pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, from today through Thursday, December 27, 2012, he be

authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2012, UNTIL 10 A.M. ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on Monday, December 24, 2012 for a pro forma session; that the Senate then adjourn until 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 27, 2012; that, on Thursday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then proceed to consider bill H.R. 5949, as pursuant to the order of today; and that Mr. WYDEN then be recognized.

Ordered further, That the order of today relative to said bill be modified such that there be 7 hours for debate on the bill; and that other provisions of the order of today remain in effect.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 7:19 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 12 noon on Monday, December 24, 2012.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2012

Ms. MARY L. LANDRIEU, from the State of Louisiana, called the Senate to order at 12:12:58 p.m., and

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 24, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARY L. LANDRIEU, a Senator from the State of Louisiana, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Ms. LANDRIEU took the chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

At 12:13:31 p.m.,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of Friday, December 21, 2012, until 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 27, 2012.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2012

Mr. SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, from the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, called the Senate to order at 10 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 27, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, a Senator from the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

FISA AMENDMENTS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5949) to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. LEE, Mr. COONS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. TESTER, and Mr. DURBIN) to amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3435).

Pending debate,

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

On motion by Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. LEE) to to amend the pending bill, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3436).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

On motion by Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. COONS) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3437, in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

CREDENTIALS OF A SENATOR-DESIGNATE FOR UNEXPIRED TERM

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the credentials of Brian Schatz, appointed by the Governor of the State of Hawaii on Wednesday, December 26, 2012 to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the time until the vacancy therein caused by the death of Daniel K. Inouye, is filled by election as provided by law, which was read and ordered placed on file:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

Honolulu

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that, pursuant to the power vested in me by the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the State of Hawai'i, I, Neil Abercrombie, the governor of said State, do hereby appoint Brian Schatz

a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States until the vacancy therein caused by the death of Daniel K. Inouye, is filled by election as provided by law.

Witness: His excellency our governor Neil Abercrombie, and our seal hereto affixed at the Hawai'i State Capitol this 26th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2012.

By the governor:

NEIL ABERCROMBIE,
Governor.
BRIAN SCHATZ,
Lieutenant Governor.

[State Seal Affixed]

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH

Mr. Schatz appeared, escorted by Mr. REID and Mr. AKAKA, and the oath of office prescribed by law having been administered by the Vice President, and subscribed by him, he took his seat in the Senate.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

FISA AMENDMENTS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 5949.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3437 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at 5:30 p.m., time for debate on the pending amendments be concluded; that the Senate vote in relation to the amendments, as pursuant to the order of December 21, 2012; that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; and that each vote following the first be 10 minutes in duration.

Ordered further, That, when the Senate resumes consideration of bill H.R. 5949 upon convening on tomorrow, there be 30 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate on an amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. WYDEN; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote in relation to the amendment; that, upon disposition of said amendment, the bill, as may be amended, be read the third time; and that the Senate then vote on passage of the bill, as may be amended.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3437 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 1

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. COATS,

Ordered, That the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 1; that Mr. COATS be recognized to propose an amendment (Numbered 3391) thereto, as pursuant to the order of December 21, 2012; that, following the remarks of Mr. COATS, Mr. ALEXANDER be recognized; that, upon conclusion of debate thereon, as pursuant to said order, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 5949; and that provisions of previous orders in relation to the two bills remain in effect.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill.

Pursuant to order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

On motion by Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER) to insert, in lieu of the language proposed to be inserted by the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, other words (being amendment No. 3391, in the nature of a substitute).

Pending debate,

FISA AMENDMENTS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Pursuant to the order of today,

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 5949.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3437 (in the nature of a substitute) to the bill.

Pending debate,

The hour of 5:30 p.m. having passed,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified on today,

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 38, nays... 52

[Rollcall Vote No. 232 Leg.]

YEAS --- 38

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Johnson (SD), Klobuchar, Kohl, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Murray, Nelson (NE), Paul, Reed, Reid, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 52

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kyl, Landrieu, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Wicker.

So the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3435 to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 37, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 233 Leg.]

YEAS --- 37

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Heller, Klobuchar, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Murray, Nelson (NE), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Wyden.

NAYS --- 54

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Nelson (FL), Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3436 to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 12, nays... 79

[Rollcall Vote No. 234 Leg.]

YEAS --- 12

Baucus, Begich, Cantwell, Heller, Lee, Merkley, Paul, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (NM), Webb, Wyden.

NAYS --- 79

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schatz, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3391 (in the nature of a substitute) to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

The pending amendment was considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, by striking section 501 (being amendment No. 3393).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, on page 72, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 17, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3350).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, on page 51, by striking all beginning on line 8 through line 23, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3415).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, by striking section 1003, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3369).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3371).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, after section 1105, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3382).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, on page 16, by striking all beginning on line 17 through line 20, and inserting "Provided" (being amendment No. 3383).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate place in title IV, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3368).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3370).

Mr. COBURN, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment no. 3370, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

Mr. COBURN demanded a division of the pending amendment, as follows: page 1, line 2 through line 26, page 2, being designated as Division II; and page 3, line 1 through line 9, being designated as Division II.

The question being on agreeing to Division II of the amendment.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, and Mr. TOM UDALL) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, in title I, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3367).

Mr. MERKLEY, by unanimous consent, modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That Mr. BLUNT be added as cosponsor of the pending amendment.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI (for Mr. LEAHY) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3403).

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI (for Mr. HARKIN) to amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, on page 81, by striking all beginning on line 9 through line 13, and inserting in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3426).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That when the Senate resumes consideration of bill H.R. 1 on tomorrow, the Senate vote in relation to amendments, as pursuant to the order of December 21, 2012; that time for debate on the amendments, as pursuant to said order, be concluded; that there be four minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to votes in relation to amendments Numbered 3368, 3369, 3370, and the divisions thereof, amendments Numbered 3371, 3382, and 3383; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to votes in relation to amendments Numbered 3376 and 3410; that there be eight minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to a vote in relation to amendment No. 3355; and that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to a vote in relation to amendment No. 3373; that, aside from the aforementioned times for debate herein, there be two minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; and that other provisions of said order remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3426 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with amendments:

S. 847. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-264).

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1763. A bill to decrease the incidence of violent crimes against Indian women, to strengthen the capacity of Indian tribes to exercise the sovereign authority of Indian tribes to respond to violent crimes committed against Indian women, and to ensure that perpetrators of violent crimes committed against Indian women are held accountable for that criminal behavior, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-265).

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2251. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, Alaska, as the Robert Boochever United States Courthouse.

S. 2326. A bill to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the "Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse".

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 3710. A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to establish a career and technical innovation fund; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 3711. A bill to provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader districtwide work-based learning program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 2620

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2620, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program.

S. 3077

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. THUNE], the Senator from Maine [Ms. COLLINS], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. ISAKSON], the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER], the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BOOZMAN] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. CORKER] were added as cosponsors of S. 3077, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

S. 3659

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island [Mr. REED] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3659, a bill to repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations, and for other purposes.

DESIGNATING THE "HARRY T. AND HARRIETTE MOORE POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2338) To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "LANCE CORPORAL VICTOR A. DEW POST OFFICE"

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3892) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office".

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "SIDNEY 'SID' SANDERS MCMATH POST OFFICE BUILDING"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BEGICH in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3869) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the "Sidney 'Sid' Sanders

McMath Post Office Building", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Friday, December 21, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "CECIL E. BOLT POST OFFICE"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4389) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19 East Merced Street in Fowler, California, as the "Cecil E. Bolt Post Office", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Friday, December 21, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "LIEUTENANT KENNETH M. BALLARD MEMORIAL POST OFFICE"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6260) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 211 Hope Street in Mountain View, California, as the "Lieutenant Kenneth M. Ballard Memorial Post Office", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Friday, December 21, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "REPRESENTATIVE CURTIS B. INABINETT, SR. POST OFFICE"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6379) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6239 Savannah Highway in Ravenel, South Carolina, as the "Representative Curtis B. Inabinett, Sr. Post Office", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Friday, December 21, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

DESIGNATING THE "POSTAL INSPECTOR TERRY ASBURY POST OFFICE BUILDING"

On the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6587) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 Simi Village Drive in Simi Valley, California, as the "Postal Inspector Terry Asbury Post Office Building", received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Friday, December 21, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RENAMING SECTION 219(C) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 AS THE KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON SPOUSAL IRA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3667) to rename section 219(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 9 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; that the Senate then resume consideration of bill H.R. 5949, as pursuant to the order of today; that, upon disposition of said bill, the Senate resume consideration of bill H.R. 1, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, on tomorrow, the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SCHUMER,

At 8:47 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 9 a.m. on tomorrow.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2012

Mr. MARK R. WARNER, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, called the Senate to order at 9 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. WARNER led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, December 28, 2012.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARK R. WARNER, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. WARNER took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

FISA AMENDMENTS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 5949) to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. LEE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WEBB, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. COONS, and Mr. BAUCUS) to amend the pending bill, at the end thereof, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3439).

After debate,

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 43, nays... 52

[Rollcall Vote No. 235 Leg.]

YEAS --- 43

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Gillibrand, Grassley, Harkin, Heller, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Paul, Reed, Reid, Sanders, Schatz, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Wyden.

NAYS --- 52

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Graham, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Kohl, Kyl, Lieberman, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Vitter, Warner, Whitehouse, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The bill was read the third time.

On motion by Mrs. FEINSTEIN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on passage of the bill.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 73, nays... 23

[Rollcall Vote No. 236 Leg.]

YEAS --- 73

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Bennet, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Feinstein, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Mikulski, Moran, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker.

NAYS --- 23

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Coons, Durbin, Franken, Harkin, Leahy, Lee, Menendez, Merkley, Murkowski, Murray, Paul, Sanders, Schatz, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Wyden.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill do pass.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HAGAN in the chair) laid before the Senate its pending business, viz, the bill (H.R. 1) making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes; and

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3426, proposed by Ms. MIKULSKI (for Mr. HARKIN), to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, proposed by Mr. REID, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of December 21, 2012, as modified,

Time for debate on the amendments, pursuant to said order, being considered concluded,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3393, proposed by Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU), to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, to the bill.

Ms. MIKULSKI, by unanimous consent, proposed the following amendments on various pages and lines, on behalf of the Senators indicated; each was modified, as indicated: Mr. GRASSLEY, amendment No. 3348; and Mrs. FEINSTEIN, (for herself and Mrs. BOXER), amendment No. 3421, as modified.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That the question recur on agreeing to the following amendments, en bloc; and that each be agreed to: amendments Numbered 3393, 3348, 3421, as modified, 3426, 3415, 3403, 3369, and division I of amendment No. 3370, as modified.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3368, proposed by Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN), to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

The pending amendments were laid aside, by unanimous consent.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. WEBB, and Mr. AKAKA) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate place, by inserting certain words (being amendment No. 3344).

After debate,

On motion by Mr. SESSIONS,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 52, nays... 43

[Rollcall Vote No. 237 Leg.]

YEAS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Harkin, Heller, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, McCain, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 43

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified).

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3368 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That the order of yesterday be modified such that the following amendments be laid aside: amendment No. 3368, amendment No. 3370, amendment No. 3371, and amendment No. 3382; and that the question recur on agreeing to amendment No. 3350.

Pursuant to the foregoing order,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3350, proposed by Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. MARK UDALL, Mr. TOM UDALL, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN), to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Mr. SESSIONS raised a point of order, viz, that the emergency designation contained in the pending amendment violates section 314(e)1 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and therefore is not in order.

On motion by Mr. TESTER, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, to waive provisions of the Act, for consideration of the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. TESTER,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 51, nays... 44

[Rollcall Vote No. 238 Leg.]

YEAS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. SESSIONS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the emergency designation contained within the amendment was stricken.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3350, as altered, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. TESTER,

Ordered, That amendment No. 3350, as altered, be withdrawn.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3368 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 44, nays... 51

[Rollcall Vote No. 239 Leg.]

YEAS --- 44

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Wicker.

NAYS --- 51

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, proposed by Mr. COBURN, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the order of yesterday be modified such that the Senate reconvene at 2 p.m. on today.

The question being on agreeing to Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That, upon conclusion of debate on Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, and amendment No. 3371, the Senate vote in "stacked" sequence in relation thereto.

The question being on agreeing to Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Mr. COBURN asked unanimous consent that division II of amendment No. 3370 be modified.

Ms. MIKULSKI objected.

The question being on agreeing to Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3371 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to Division II of amendment No. 3370, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on

the question of agreeing to the pending division of the amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 35, nays... 60

[Rollcall Vote No. 240 Leg.]

YEAS --- 35

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Grassley, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Thune, Toomey.

NAYS --- 60

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Coats, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the Division II of the amendment, as modified, was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3371 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 40, nays... 55

[Rollcall Vote No. 241 Leg.]

YEAS --- 40

Alexander, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McCaskill, Paul, Portman, Risch, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 55

Akaka, Ayotte, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3382 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That, at 2 p.m., the Senate debate the pending amendment and amendment No. 3383, proposed by Mr. COBURN; that, upon conclusion of debate on said amendments, the Senate vote in relation thereto; and that all other provisions of the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified, remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3382 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday, as modified,

At 12:42 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed until 2 p.m.

AT 2 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER called the Senate to order.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT

The Senate resumed consideration of bill H.R. 1.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to a period for concurrent debate on amendments Numbered 3382 and 3383.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3383 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3382 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. COBURN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3383 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Mr. COBURN withdrew his pending amendment.

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3382 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 48, nays... 47

[Rollcall Vote No. 242 Leg.]

YEAS --- 48

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Vitter, Webb, Wicker.

NAYS --- 47

Akaka, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Udall (NM), Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to (the amendment not having received 60 yea votes, as pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012).

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, proposed by Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. TIM JOHNSON, Mr. TOM UDALL, and Mr. BLUNT), to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That the time until 3:30 p.m. be for debate on amendments Numbered 3376 and 3410, intended to be proposed by Mr. PAUL, amendment No. 3355, intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCAIN, and amendment No. 3373, intended to be proposed by Mr. LEE; that, at 4 p.m., the Senate vote in relation to said amendments, in the order as pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified; that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate prior to each vote; and that all other provisions of the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, remain in effect.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. PAUL, by unanimous consent, to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, at the appropriate places, by inserting certain words (being amendments Numbered 3376 and 3410, en bloc).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3410 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

On motion by Mr. LEE to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, after section 1105, by adding certain words (being amendment No. 3373).

Mr. LEE modified the pending amendment.

The question then being on agreeing to amendment No. 3373, as modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Mr. LEE withdrew his pending amendment, as modified.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3410 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pending debate,

The pending amendments were considered laid aside.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN) to further amend the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered, on page 2, by striking all beginning on line 16 through line 2, page 3 (being amendment No. 3355).

Pending debate,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That votes in relation to amendments, as pursuant to the order of today, instead occur at 4:15 p.m.; that Mrs. HUTCHISON conclude her remarks; and that Mr. LEAHY then be recognized to speak on amendment No. 3410.

Pending debate,

Pursuant to the order of today, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3376 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 42, nays... 52

[Rollcall Vote No. 243 Leg.]

YEAS --- 42

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Snowe, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 52

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of today,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3410 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

On motion by Ms. LANDRIEU,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 3, nays... 91

[Rollcall Vote No. 244 Leg.]

YEAS --- 3

Heller, Lee, Paul.

NAYS --- 91

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3355 to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 46, nays... 49

[Rollcall Vote No. 245 Leg.]

YEAS --- 46

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Brown (MA), Burr, Carper, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 49

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Cochran, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as further modified, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

Mr. SESSIONS raised a point of order, viz, that the emergency designations contained in the pending amendment violate section 314(e)1 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and therefore the amendment is not in order.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY, under section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, to waive provisions of the Act, for consideration of the pending amendment.

On motion by Mr. MERKLEY,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on

the question of agreeing to the motion to waive.

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 55, nays... 40

[Rollcall Vote No. 246 Leg.]

YEAS --- 55

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Hoeven, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS --- 40

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Murkowski, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

So the motion was not agreed to; three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the point of order raised by Mr. SESSIONS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in chair) held the point of order well-taken, and the emergency designations contained within the amendment, as further modified, were stricken.

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3367, as further modified and altered, to the bill.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That amendment No. 3367, as further modified and altered, be withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The question recurring on agreeing to amendment No. 3391 (in the nature of a substitute), proposed by Mr. COATS, to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

After debate,

On motion by Mr. CORNYN,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the question of agreeing to the pending amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being taken.

It was determined in the negative---
yeas... 41, nays... 54

[Rollcall Vote No. 247 Leg.]

YEAS --- 41

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, Lugar, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Murkowski, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

NAYS --- 54

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Paul, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Webb, Whitehouse, Wyden.

So the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was not agreed to.

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. MIKULSKI,

Ordered, That Mr. LAUTENBERG be added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute).

The question being on agreeing to amendment No. 3395 (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, to the bill.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012, as modified,

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as altered and amended, was agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012,

The motion to bring to a close debate on the bill was withdrawn.

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 21, 2012.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

On motion by Ms. MIKULSKI,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative---
yeas... 61, nays... 33

[Rollcall Vote No. 248 Leg.]

YEAS --- 61

Akaka, Baucus, Begich, Bennet, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Johnson (SD), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCaskill, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Reed, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Shelby, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 33

Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Enzi, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kyl, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Roberts, Rubio, Sessions, Thune, Toomey.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

Subsequently,

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, on rollcall Vote No. 248, his vote be changed from "nay" to "yea", thus changing the result to yeas 62, nays 32.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8730. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Guard Youth Challenge Program 2012 annual report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8731. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Relocation of Regulations" (RIN2590-AA56), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8732. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8733. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8734. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8735. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to blocking property of the Government of the Russian Federation relating to the disposition of highly enriched uranium extracted from nuclear weapons that was declared in Executive Order 13617 of June 25, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8736. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Ohio; Redesignation of the Ohio Portion of the Huntington-Ashland 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9764-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8737. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9734-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8738. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Revisions to the Total Coliform Rule" (FRL No. 9684-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8739. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances; Removal of Significant New Use Rules" (FRL No. 9369-8), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8740. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Utah; Determination of Clean Data for the 1987 PM10 Standard for the Ogden Area" (FRL No. 9765-6), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8741. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Alaska: Eagle River PM10 Nonattainment Area Limited Maintenance Plan and Redesignation Request" (FRL No. 9764-7), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8742. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determination of Attainment of the 2006 24-hour Fine Particulate Matter Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9765-9), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8743. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health and Safety Data Reporting; Addition of Certain Chemicals; Withdrawal of Final Rule" (FRL No. 9375-3), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8744. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-157); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8745. A communication from the Chief of the Border Security Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Opening of Boquillas Border Crossing and Update to the Class B Port of Entry Description" (RIN1651-AA90), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. NELSON, of Nebraska:

S. 3712. A bill to authorize the minting of a coin in honor of the Centennial of Boys Town, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SHELBY:

S. 3713. A bill to make technical corrections to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 3077

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Texas [Mr. CORNYN], the Senator from Texas [Mrs. HUTCHISON] and the Senator from Missouri [Mr. BLUNT] were added as cosponsors of S. 3077, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

S. 3460

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Ms. STABENOW] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3460, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes.

S. 3673

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the name of the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. ALEXANDER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 3673, a bill to provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 618

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Montana [Mr. TESTER] was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 618, a resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy.

AMENDMENT TO TITLE OF BILL H.R. 1

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the title of bill H.R. 1 was amended, as reported by the committee, so as to read “An act making appropriations for disaster relief for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes”.

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 8

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the minority leader, the Senate proceed to consider the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes.

ORDER FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ON SUNDAY NEXT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

As in executive session,

Ordered, That, following leader remarks on Sunday, December 30, 2012, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Carol J. Galante, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, as pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012; that there be 60 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate thereon, as pursuant to the aforementioned order; that, upon conclusion of debate thereon, the Senate proceed to consider the nomination of the nomination of William Joseph Baer, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General; that the Senate then vote on confirmation of the nominations in pending order; that there be 2 minutes, equally divided and controlled in the usual form, for debate prior to each vote; that, following the votes, motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 3454) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. REID for Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3441, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

NORTH KOREAN REFUGEE ADOPTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1464) to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill

On motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. BURR) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3442, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. REID (for Mr. BURR), so as to read: "An act to express the sense of Congress regarding North Korean children and children of one North Korean parent and to require the Department of State regularly to brief appropriate congressional committees on efforts to advocate for and develop a strategy to provide assistance in the best interest of these children".

KATIE SEPICH ENHANCED DNA COLLECTION ACT

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MERKLEY in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6014) to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement DNA arrestee collection processes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on December 19, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

FORMER PRESIDENTS PROTECTION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6620) to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain limitations on the length of Secret Service Protection for former Presidents and for the children of former Presidents.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

LEAHY-SMITH AMERICA INVENTS ACT CORRECTIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6621) to correct and improve certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and title 35, United States Code, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on December 19, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill

On motion by Mr. REID for Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3444, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 1 P.M. ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2012, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 1 p.m. on Sunday, December 30, 2012; that, on Sunday next, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate

then proceed to executive session, as pursuant to the order of today.

Ordered further, That, on Sunday next, following the vote on the nomination of Carol J. Gallante, the Senate recess for one hour.

AUTHORITY FOR ADJOURNMENT ON TODAY

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate adjourn, following remarks by Mr. SCHUMER and Mr. PRYOR.

After debate,

ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of today,

At 7:50 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER declared the Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 1 p.m. on Sunday, December 30, 2012.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2012

Mr. MICHAEL F. BENNET, from the State of Colorado, called the Senate to order at 1 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mr. BENNET led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Assistant Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 30, 2012.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL F. BENNET, a Senator from the State of Colorado, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mr. BENNET took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 28, 2012,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 28, 2012,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012, as modified,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business (involving two rollcall Votes).

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 26, 2012, as modified,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

RECESS

Pursuant to the order of Friday, December 28, 2012, as modified,

At 3:05 p.m.,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRANKEN in the chair) declared the Senate recessed subject to the call of the chair.

AT 5:48 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) called the Senate to order.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, effective immediately, the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. 3714. A bill to alleviate the fiscal cliff, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3715. A bill to extend the limited antitrust exemption contained in the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act; considered and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 925. An act to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence.

H.R. 1339. An act to designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.

H.R. 1845. An act to provide a demonstration project providing Medicare coverage for in-home administration of intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) and to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims.

H.R. 2338. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office".

H.R. 3869. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the "Sidney 'Sid' Sanders McMath Post Office Building".

H.R. 3892. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Lance Corporal Victor A. Dew Post Office".

H.R. 4053. An act to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.

H.R. 4310. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4389. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19 East Merced Street in Fowler, California, as the "Cecil E. Bolt Post Office".

H.R. 5859. An act to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting.

H.R. 5949. An act to extend FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years.

H.R. 6260. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 211 Hope Street in Mountain View, California, as the "Lieutenant Kenneth M. Ballard Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 6379. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6239 Savannah Highway in Ravenel, South Carolina, as the "Representative Curtis B. Inabinett, Sr. Post Office".

H.R. 6587. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 Simi Village Drive in Simi Valley,

California, as the "Postal Inspector Terry Asbury Post Office Building".

H.R. 6671. An act to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.

S.J. Res. 49. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The enrolled bills and joint resolution were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

OBJECTION TO CONSIDERATION OF BILL S. 2215

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the bill (S. 2215) to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes; that the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be withdrawn; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) by Mr. DURBIN, be proposed and agreed to; that the bill, as thus amended, be read the third time, and passed; and that a motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate.

Mr. TOOMEY objected.

SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EVIDENCE REGISTRY ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3250) to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for Mr. CORNYN) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3445, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXTENDING THE LIMITED ANTITRUST EXEMPTION CONTAINED IN THE PANDEMIC AND ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS ACT

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3715) to extend the limited antitrust exemption contained in the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act, introduced on today by Mr. HARKIN, and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

POWELL SHOOTING RANGE LAND CONVEYANCE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 2015) to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to the Powell Recreation District in the State of Wyoming.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MODIFYING THE PILOT PROJECT OFFICES OF THE FEDERAL PERMIT STREAMLINING PILOT PROJECT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3563) to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

LAKE THUNDERBIRD EFFICIENT USE ACT

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3263) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PINNACLES NATIONAL PARK ACT

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 3641) to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Wednesday, August 1, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

RELATIVE TO CERTAIN RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY AT PIKE NATIONAL FOREST

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4073) to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875, received from the House of Representatives

for concurrence on Thursday, August 2, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY LAND CONVEYANCE ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 264) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Mississippi 2 parcels of surplus land within the boundary of the Natchez Trace Parkway, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment.

The reported amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

LEADVILLE MINE DRAINAGE TUNNEL ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1047) to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF A PEACE CORPS COMMEMORATIVE WORK IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1421) to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

MINUTEMAN MISSILE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1478) to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

BONNEVILLE UNIT CLEAN HYDROPOWER FACILITATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 499) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SLEEPING BEAR DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 140) to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK BOUNDARY EXPANSION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 114) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement for a park headquarters at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to expand the boundary of the Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, and for other purposes.

The question being on agreeing to the reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute).

On motion by Mr. DURBIN (for Mrs. HUTCHISON) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3446, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The reported amendment (in the nature of a substitute), as amended, was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

The title was amended, on motion by Mr. DURBIN (for Mrs. HUTCHISON), so as to read: "A bill to expand the boundary of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park".

WHITE CLAY CREEK WILD AND SCENIC RIVER EXPANSION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 970) to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

HOUSE BILL READ THE FIRST TIME

On the request of Mr. DURBIN,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL in the chair) laid before the Senate the bill

(H.R. 459) to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on July 26, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first time.

Mr. DURBIN asked unanimous consent that the bill be read the second time.

Mr. DURBIN objected.

Whereupon,

The PRESIDING OFFICER stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would lie over awaiting its second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDER FOR PRINTING OF TRIBUTES TO LATE SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUYE

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That tributes to the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye be printed as a Senate Document; and that Senators submit said tributes until 12 noon on Tuesday, January 8, 2013.

ORDERS FOR RECESS UNTIL 11 A.M. ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it recess until 11 a.m. on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 12 noon for debate only, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 7:26 p.m.,

The Senate recessed, under its order of today, until 11 a.m. on tomorrow.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2012

(Legislative day of Sunday, December 30, 2012)

The PRESIDENT pro tempore called the Senate to order at 11 a.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and the PRESIDENT pro tempore led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

LEADER TIME RESERVED

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, Monday, December 31, 2012, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill and joint resolution:

S. 925. A bill to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence.

S.J. Res. 49. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-8746. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule Regarding Principal Trades with Certain Advisory Clients" (RIN3235-AL28), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8747. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Other Flatfish, Other Rockfish, Pacific Ocean Perch, Sculpin, and Squid in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC377), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8748. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Reopening of the Commercial Harvest of Red Snapper and Gray Triggerfish in the South Atlantic" (RIN0648-XC367), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8749. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XC373), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8750. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Extension of Emergency Fishery Closure Due to the Presence of the Toxin That Causes Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP)" (RIN0648-BB59), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8751. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Transferability of Black Sea Bass Pot Endorsements" (RIN0648-BC30), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8752. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Snowy Grouper" (RIN0648-XC380), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28,

2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8753. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Blue Runner" (RIN0648-XC310), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8754. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fisheries; 2013 Fishing Quotas for Atlantic Surfclams and Ocean Quahogs; and Suspension of Minimum Atlantic Surfclam Size Limit" (RIN0648-XC353), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8755. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XC340), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8756. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; White Hake Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XC369), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8757. A communication from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Board's competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8758. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Controlled Corporations to Avoid the Application of Section 304" (RIN1545-BI13), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8759. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Payout Requirements for Type III Supporting Organizations That Are Not Functionally Integrated" (RIN1545-BG31), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8760. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partner's Distributive Share" (RIN1545-BJ37), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8761. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-167); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8762. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-154); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8763. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-168); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8764. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-143); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8765. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Control of Communicable Diseases: Foreign; Scope of Definitions (42 CFR Part 71)" (RIN0920-AA12), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8766. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Control of Communicable Diseases: Foreign; Scope of Definitions (42 CFR Part 70)" (RIN0920-AA22), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 28, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8767. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-8768. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report from the Attorney General to Congress relative to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8769. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, the Board's Report to Congress on the Status of Significant Unresolved Issues with the Department of Energy's Design and Construction Projects (dated December 24, 2012); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8770. A communication from the Attorney, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C): Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold" (Docket No. CFPB-2012-0049), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8771. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-2012-0003)), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8772. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualified Plug-in Electric Drive Motor Vehicle Credit; Update of Notice 2009-89" (Notice 2012-54), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 31, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8773. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Coverage Determinations for Fiscal Year 2011"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8774. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Health and Human Services' report to Congress on activities of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8775. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Chemical Weapons Convention and the Australia Group; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8776. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-035); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8777. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-171); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8778. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, certification of proposed issuance of an export license pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 12-064); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8779. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Job Training Partnership Act Implementing Regulations" (RIN1205-AB68), received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 31, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8780. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on National HIV Testing Goals; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8781. A communication from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. WARNER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 628. A resolution expressing the deep disappointment of the Senate in the enactment by the Russian Government of a law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by United States citizens and urging the Russia Government to reconsider the law and prioritize the processing of inter-country adoptions involving parentless Russian children who were already matched with United States families before the enactment of the law; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. Res. 629. A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Committee on Armed Services; considered and agreed to.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3202. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 3159. An act to direct the President to establish guidelines for United States foreign development assistance, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4057) to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes, without amendment.

At 1:54 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 3666. An act to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor".

At 5:53 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3202. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

S. 3666. An act to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor".

H.R. 3263. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3641. An act to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4057. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4073. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875.

H.R. 6014. An act to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement DNA arrestee collection processes.

H.R. 6620. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain limitations on the length of Secret Service Protection for former Presidents and for the children of former Presidents.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. KERRY,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 2 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. SHERROD BROWN,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 3 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. BENNET,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 5 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 7 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Ms. STABENOW,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 9 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

RECESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. DURBIN,

At 8:15 p.m.,

The Senate recessed, subject to the call of the chair.

(The following occurred after 12 midnight, being Tuesday, January 1, 2013).

AT 1:22 A.M.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore called the Senate to order.

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 1:35 a.m.; that Mr. HARKIN be recognized to speak; and that, following remarks by him, Mr. REID be recognized.

Pending debate,

ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION OF BILL H.R. 8

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to consider bill H.R. 8; that an amendment (in the nature of a substitute) be proposed thereto, and agreed to; that there be 10 minutes, equally divided and controlled, for debate between the two leaders; that, upon conclusion of debate, the Senate vote on passage of the bill, as thus amended; that no other amendment be in order to be proposed prior to the vote; that no point of order be in order to be raised in relation to the amendment (in the nature of a substitute) or the bill; and that the bill receive a minimum of 60 yea votes to pass.

Pending debate,

AMERICAN TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT

Pursuant to the order of today,

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes; and

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

The question being on passage of the bill.

Pursuant to the order of today,

Amendment No. 3448 (in the nature of a substitute) was proposed on behalf of Mr. REID, and agreed to.

The question being on passage of the bill, as amended.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time.

On motion by Mr. REID,

The yeas and nays, being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present, were ordered on the passage of the bill, as amended.

On the question, Shall it pass?

It was determined in the affirmative--- yeas... 89, nays... 8

[Rollcall Vote No. 251 Leg.]

YEAS --- 89

Akaka, Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Baucus, Begich, Bingaman, Blumenthal, Blunt, Boozman, Boxer, Brown (MA), Brown (OH), Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Conrad, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Durbin, Enzi, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Graham, Hagan, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Hutchison, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kerry, Klobuchar, Kohl, Kyl, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Lieberman, Lugar, Manchin, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murray, Nelson (NE), Nelson (FL), Portman, Pryor, Reed, Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Sessions, Shaheen, Snowe, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Warner, Webb, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

NAYS --- 8

Bennet, Carper, Grassley, Harkin, Lee, Paul, Rubio, Shelby.

So it was

Resolved, That the bill, as amended, do pass.

AMENDMENT TO TITLE OF BILL H.R. 8

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the title of bill H.R. 8 be amended, on motion by Mr. PRYOR (for Mr. REID), so as to read: "An act entitled the 'American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012'".

SPACE EXPLORATION SUSTAINABILITY ACT

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 6586) to extend the application of certain space launch liability provisions through 2014, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on November 14, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

On motion by Mr. PRYOR for Mr. BILL NELSON (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof other words (being amendment No. 3449, in the nature of a substitute).

The amendment (in the nature of a substitute) was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ENDANGERED FISH RECOVERY PROGRAMS EXTENSION ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6060) to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2019.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMITS WITHIN DENALI NATIONAL PARK

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 302) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for a natural gas transmission pipeline in nonwilderness areas within the boundary of Denali National Park, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

EXPRESSING THE DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT ENACTMENT OF LAW ENDING INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTIONS OF RUSSIAN CHILDREN BY U.S. CITIZENS AND URGING RECONSIDERATION

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MANCHIN in the chair) laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 628) expressing the deep disappointment of the Senate in the enactment by the Russian Government of a law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by United States citizens and urging the Russia Government to reconsider the law and prioritize the processing of inter-country adoptions involving parentless Russian children who were already matched with United States families before the enactment of the law, submitted today by Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. WARNER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. MENENDEZ), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

AUTHORIZING PRODUCTION OF RECORDS BY THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

On the request of Mr. PRYOR,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 629) to authorize the production of records by the Committee on Armed Services, submitted today by Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. ON TODAY, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on today; that, on today, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 3:30 p.m. for debate only, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. PRYOR,

At 2:31 a.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 2 p.m. on today.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2013

Mrs. BARBARA BOXER, from the State of California, called the Senate to order at 2 p.m., the Chaplain offered a prayer, and Mrs. BOXER led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The Legislative Clerk read the following communication from the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

U.S. SENATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, January 1, 2013.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BARBARA BOXER, a Senator from the State of California, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,

PRESIDENT pro tempore.

Mrs. BOXER took the chair.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

HOUSE BILL READ THE SECOND TIME AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The Senate having convened following an adjournment,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 459) to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Sunday, December 30, 2012, and read the first time on that day; which was read the second time.

Mr. REID objected to the further proceedings on the bill.

Whereupon,

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore stated that, pursuant to the provisions of rule XIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill would be placed on the calendar.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, January 1, 2013, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 3202. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

S. 3666. An act to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of "exhibitor".

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 2:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 3454. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

S. 3630. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office".

S. 3662. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building".

S. 3677. An act to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

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

H.R. 6612. An act to redesignate the Dryden Flight Research Center as the Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center and the Western Aeronautical Test Range as the Hugh L. Dryden Aeronautical Test Range.

H.R. 6649. An act to provide for the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients.

The message further announced that the House agree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6364) to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, to provide for the designation of memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 147. Concurrent resolution waiving the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be printed on parchment.

HOUSE BILL REFERRED

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

H.R. 6612. An act to redesignate the Dryden Flight Research Center as the Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center and the Western Aeronautical Test Range as the Hugh L. Dryden Aeronautical Test Range; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 5 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

FURTHER PERIOD FOR TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. MERKLEY,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to a further period for the transaction of morning business, for debate only, until 6 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

Pending debate,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

CLARIFYING THAT ACCOUNTS IN THE THRIFT SAVINGS FUND ARE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN FEDERAL TAX LEVIES

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4365) to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT FOR PRINTING ON PARCHMENT OF ENROLLED MEASURES DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH CONGRESS

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SHERROD BROWN in the chair) laid before the Senate the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 147) waiving the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be printed on parchment, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on today, and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the concurrent resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the concurrent resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn until 12 noon on tomorrow; that, on tomorrow, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Journal of the proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, and the times for the two leaders be reserved; and that the Senate then proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business until 1:30 p.m. for debate only, with Senators permitted to speak for 10 minutes each therein.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:58 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned, under its order of today, until 12 noon on tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013

The PRESIDENT pro tempore called the Senate to order at 12 noon, the Chaplain offered a prayer, and the PRESIDENT pro tempore led the Senate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

THE JOURNAL

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Journal of the proceedings of the Senate was deemed approved to date.

CERTAIN PROCEDURES DISPENSED WITH

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The morning hour being deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders being reserved.

TRANSACTION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order of yesterday,

The Senate proceeded to a period for the transaction of morning business.

Pending debate,

OBJECTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. REID asked unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations of David Medine, of Maryland, to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, and David Medine, of Maryland, to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board; that the nominations be confirmed; that motions to reconsider be made and laid on the table, without intervening action or debate; that no further motion be in order; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume its legislative session.

Mr. GRASSLEY objected.

AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. CONRAD,

Ordered, That, on today, the majority leader be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

The following report of a committee was submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 692, A bill to improve hurricane preparedness by establishing the National Hurricane Research Initiative, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-266).

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

The following bill was introduced, read the first and, by unanimous consent, second times, and referred, placed on the calendar, held at the desk, or acted upon, as indicated:

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

S. 3716. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

The following Senate resolution was submitted, read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. WICKER):

S. Res. 630. A resolution congratulating the Navy and the current and former officers and crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise (CVN 65) on completion of the 26th and final deployment of the vessel; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 2215

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 2215, a bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives on today, as indicated:

At 12:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills and joint resolution without amendment:

S. 2318. An act to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes.

S. 3331. An act to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, And for other purposes.

S. 3472. An act to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements of such Act.

S.J. Res. 44. Joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

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

H.R. 6726. An act to prevent the 2013 pay adjustment for Members of Congress and persons holding other offices or positions in the Federal Government from being made.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 145. Concurrent resolution calling for universal condemnation of the North Korean missile launch of December 12, 2012.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1464) to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes.

At 1:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 8. An act entitled the "American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012".

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 2:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 443) to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2076) to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4212) to prevent the

introduction into commerce of unsafe drywall, to ensure the manufacturer of drywall is readily identifiable, to ensure that problematic drywall removed from homes is not reused, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6029) to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for increased penalties for foreign and economic espionage, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6328) to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6621) to correct and improve certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and title 35, United States Code.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes.

At 3:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6586) to extend the application of certain space launch liability provisions through 2014.

The message further announced that the SPEAKER has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 1464. An act to express the sense of Congress regarding North Korean children and children of one North Korean parent and to require the Department of State regularly to brief appropriate congressional committees on efforts to advocate for and develop a strategy to provide assistance in the best interest of these children.

H.R. 4365. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies.

H.R. 6060. An act to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2019.

H.R. 6364. An act to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, to provide for the designation of memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, and for other purposes.

S. 3454. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

S. 3630. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office".

S. 3662. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building".

S. 3677. An act to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the PRESIDENT pro tempore.

At 3:40 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment and an amendment to the title, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 3250. An act to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes.

HOUSE BILLS REFERRED

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

H.R. 6726. An act to prevent the 2013 pay adjustment for Members of Congress and persons holding other offices or positions in the Federal Government from being made; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 6655. An act to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Finance.

RESIGNATION OF MR. DEMINT

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WHITEHOUSE in the chair) laid before the Senate following communication, which was deemed read, by unanimous consent, and placed on file:

Hon. NIKKI HALEY,
Governor, State of South Carolina.

DEAR MADAM GOVERNOR: I hereby give notice of my retirement from the Office of United States Senator from the State of South Carolina. Therefore, I tender my resignation effective at 11:59 p.m., January 1, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

JIM DEMINT,
U.S. Senate.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate proceeded to executive session; and after the consideration of executive business.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

The Senate resumed its legislative session.

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMITS FOR NATURAL GAS PIPELINES IN GLACIER NATIONAL PARK

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (H.R. 4606) to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purposes, received from the House of Representatives for concurrence on Tuesday, December 18, 2012, and remaining undisposed of; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

PROTECT OUR KIDS ACT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6655) to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

Ordered further, That the bill be referred to the Committee on Finance; and that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of the bill.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

INCLUDING VACCINES AGAINST SEASONAL INFLUENZA WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF TAXABLE VACCINES UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the bill (S. 3716) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines, introduced on today by Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. HATCH), and at the desk; which was read the first and second times, by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the bill.

The question being on the passage of the bill; and

No amendment being proposed,

The bill was read the third time, by unanimous consent.

Resolved, That it pass.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

CONGRATULATING THE NAVY AND THE CURRENT AND FORMER OFFICERS AND CREW OF THE U.S.S. ENTERPRISE

On the request of Mr. REID,

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the resolution (S. Res. 630) congratulating the Navy and the current and former officers and crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise (CVN 65) on completion of the 26th and final deployment of the vessel, submitted today by Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. WEBB, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. WICKER), and at the desk.

The Senate proceeded, by unanimous consent, to consider the resolution.

The question being on agreeing to the resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate agree thereto, and to the accompanying preamble.

A motion to reconsider was deemed made and laid on the table, by unanimous consent.

ORDERS FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON ON TOMORROW, AND FOR PROGRAM

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

Ordered, That, when the Senate concludes its business on today, it adjourn, pursuant to the Constitution, until 12 noon on tomorrow; and that, on tomorrow, following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and following the presentation of the certificates of election and the swearing-in of elected Members, and the ascertainment of a quorum, as pursuant to the Constitution, the Journal of proceedings of the Senate be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the times for the recognition of the two leaders be reserved.

ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. REID,

At 5:07 p.m.,

The Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2013

ACTIONS SUBSEQUENT TO ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED SUBSEQUENT TO ADJOURNMENT

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 5, 2011, the Secretary of the Senate on Wednesday, January 2, 2013, subsequent to the adjournment of the Senate, as pursuant to the Constitution of the United States, had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 3454. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

S. 3630. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office".

S. 3662. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building".

S. 3677. A bill to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

APPENDIX

SENATORS OF THE UNITED STATES WHOSE SEATS WILL BECOME VACANT IN—

2015 Class 2	2017 Class 3	2013 Class 1
Mr. ALEXANDER of Tennessee	Ms. AYOTTE of New Hampshire	
BAUCUS of Montana	Mr. BENNET of Colorado	Mr. AKAKA of Hawaii
BEGICH of Alaska	BLUMENTHAL of Connecticut	BARRASSO of Wyoming[1]
CHAMBLISS of Georgia	BLUNT of Missouri	BINGAMAN of New Mexico
COCHRAN of Mississippi	BOOZMAN of Arkansas	BROWN of Massachusetts[1]
Ms. COLLINS of Maine	Mrs. BOXER of California	BROWN of Ohio
Mr. COONS of Delaware[2]	Mr. BURR of North Carolina	Ms. CANTWELL of Washington
CORNYN of Texas	COATS of Indiana	Mr. CARDIN of Maryland
DURBIN of Illinois	COBURN of Oklahoma	CARPER of Delaware
ENZI of Wyoming	CRAPO of Idaho	CASEY of Pennsylvania
FRANKEN of Minnesota	DEMINT of South Carolina	CONRAD of North Dakota
GRAHAM of South Carolina	GRASSLEY of Iowa	CORKER of Tennessee
Mrs. HAGAN of North Carolina	HOEVEN of North Dakota	Mrs. FEINSTEIN of California
Mr. HARKIN of Iowa	INOUYE of Hawaii	GILLIBRAND of New York[1]
INHOFE of Oklahoma	ISAKSON of Georgia	Mr. HATCH of Utah
JOHANNS of Nebraska	JOHNSON of Wisconsin	HELLER of Nevada[3]
JOHNSON of South Dakota	KIRK of Illinois[4]	Mrs. HUTCHISON of Texas
KERRY of Massachusetts	LEAHY of Vermont	Ms. KLOBUCHAR of Minnesota
Ms. LANDRIEU of Louisiana	LEE of Utah	Mr. KOHL of Wisconsin
Mr. LAUTENBERG of New Jersey	MCCAIN of Arizona	KYL of Arizona
LEVIN of Michigan	Ms. MIKULSKI of Maryland	LIEBERMAN of Connecticut
MCCONNELL of Kentucky	Mr. MORAN of Kansas	LUGAR of Indiana
MERKLEY of Oregon	Ms. MURKOWSKI of Alaska	MANCHIN of West Virginia[1]
PRYOR of Arkansas	Mrs. MURRAY of Washington	Mrs. MCCASKILL of Missouri
REED of Rhode Island	Mr. PAUL of Kentucky	Mr. MENENDEZ of New Jersey
RISCH of Idaho	PORTMAN of Ohio	NELSON of Florida
ROBERTS of Kansas	REID of Nevada	NELSON of Nebraska
ROCKEFELLER of West Virginia	RUBIO of Florida	SANDERS of Vermont
SESSIONS of Alabama	SCHUMER of New York	Ms. SNOWE of Maine
Mrs. SHAHEEN of New Hampshire	SHELBY of Alabama	STABENOW of Michigan
Mr. UDALL of Colorado	THUNE of South Dakota	Mr. TESTER of Montana
UDALL of New Mexico	TOOMEY of Pennsylvania	WEBB of Virginia
WARNER of Virginia	VITTER of Louisiana	WHITEHOUSE of Rhode Island
	WYDEN of Oregon	WICKER of Mississippi[1]

[1]Elected to fill an unexpired term until January 3, 2013.
[2]Elected to fill an unexpired term until January 3, 2015.
[3]Appointed to fill an unexpired term until such vacancy is filled as provided by law.

HISTORY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

SENATE BILLS

S. 17—A bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [27FE], [16AP], [8MY], [6JN], [21JN], [27JN], [16JY], [17JY]

S. 19—A bill to restore American's individual liberty by striking the Federal mandate to purchase insurance; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16JY], [19JY], [31JY]

S. 20—A bill to protect American job creation by striking the job-killing Federal employer mandate; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [24JA], [28FE]

S. 25—A bill to phase out the Federal sugar program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [28FE], [22MR]

S. 27—A bill to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [1FE]

S. 32—A bill to prohibit the transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [17DE], [19DE], [20DE], [21DE]

S. 33—A bill to designate a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [2FE], [30JY]

S. 35—A bill to establish background check procedures for gun shows; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [19DE], [21DE]

S. 46—A bill to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Placed on the calendar, [12SE]

S. 50—A bill to strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities with respect to commercially-marketed seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to coordinate with the Federal Trade Commission and other appropriate Federal agencies to strengthen and coordinate those programs and activities; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [21JN]

S. 52—A bill to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Cosponsors added, [24MY], [14JN], [21JN]

S. 57—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the application of the tonnage tax on certain vessels; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [25AP]

S. 64—A bill to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941 through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United States, and to recommend appropriate remedies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 65—A bill to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 67—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [6JN], [7JN]

S. 76—A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to investigate and address cancer and disease clusters, including in infants and children; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 82—A bill to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs, to repeal the sunset of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with respect to increased dollar limitations for such credit and programs, and to allow the adoption credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [15FE], [13NO], [10DE]

S. 84—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow refunds of Federal motor fuel excise taxes on fuels used in mobile mammography vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 91—A bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and unborn human person; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [28FE], [19AP]

S. 97—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish a grant program to support the restoration of San Francisco Bay; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]

S. 102—A bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [21MR], [14JN], [23JY]

S. 114—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement for a park headquarters at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to expand the boundary of the Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]
Passed Senate amended, [30DE]
Title amended, [30DE]

S. 118—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to allow workers who attain age 65 after 1981 and before 1992 to choose either lump sum payments over four years totaling $5,000 or an improved benefit computation formula under a new 10-year rule governing the transition to the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24AP]

S. 119—A bill to preserve open competition and Federal Government neutrality towards the labor relations of Federal Government contractors on Federal and federally funded construction projects; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [10JY]

S. 134—A bill to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 137—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide protections for consumers against excessive, unjustified, or unfairly discriminatory increases in premium rates; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JY]

S. 140—A bill to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–104), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 154—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to support early college high schools and other dual enrollment programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [15NO]

S. 165—A bill to amend the Public Health Services Act to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [31JA], [6FE]

S. 166—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [20SE]

S. 179—A bill to expand the boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
Placed on the calendar, [27FE]

S. 183—A bill to clarify the applicability of certain maritime laws with respect to the blowout and explosion of the mobile offshore drilling unit Deepwater Horizon; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–245), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany, [5DE]

S. 195—A bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [2MR], [26JY]

S. 202—A bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [17JY], [23JY], [25JY], [31JY], [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [12SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S. 207—A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. 210—A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to eliminate the mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for the use of offices of Members of Congress; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Cosponsors added, [6JN]

S. 214—A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [12MR]

S. 215—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [12MR]

S. 219—A bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [23AP], [25AP], [5JN]

S. 225—A bill to permit the disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [31JY], [2AU]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 227—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [6MR], [19JN], [2AU], [19SE]

S. 237—A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to enhance the oversight authorities of the Comptroller General, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
Placed on the calendar, [24AP]

S. 239—A bill to support innovation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JY]

S. 241—A bill to expand whistleblower protections to non-Federal employees whose disclosures involve misuse of Federal funds; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19DE]
Placed on the calendar, [19DE]

S. 247—A bill to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–105), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 250—A bill to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [14JN], [21JN]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [21JN]
Placed on the calendar, [21JN]

S. 253—A bill to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, and to designate memorials to the service of men and women of the United States in World War I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [16AP]

S. 254—A bill to reduce the rape kit backlog and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [15NO]

S. 260—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [13NO]

S. 262—A bill to repeal the excise tax on medical device manufacturers; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [6JN]

S. 264—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Mississippi 2 parcels of surplus land within the boundary of the Natchez Trace Parkway, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–106), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate amended, [30DE]

S. 270—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–164] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 271—A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–165] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 274—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand access to medication therapy management services under the Medicare prescription drug program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [19SE]

S. 277—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [28FE]

S. 285—A bill for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]
Passed Senate amended, [25JY]
Passed House, [18DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
Approved [Private Law 112–1] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 292—A bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [6JN]
Presented to the President (June 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–133] (signed June 15, 2012)

S. 296—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide the Food and Drug Administration with improved capacity to prevent drug shortages; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [30JA], [15FE], [27FE], [6MR], [14MR], [15MR], [24AP]

S. 300—A bill to prevent abuse of Government charge cards; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–194] (signed October 5, 2012)

S. 302—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for a natural gas transmission pipeline in nonwilderness areas within the boundary of Denali National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–107), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [31DE]

S. 306—A bill to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [20SE]

S. 309—A bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Moldova; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [17AP]

S. 316—A bill to ensure that the victims and victims' families of the November 5, 2009, attack at Fort Hood, Texas, receive the same treatment, benefits, and honors as those Americans who have been killed or wounded in a combat zone overseas and their families; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [9FE]

S. 322—A bill to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–108), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 323—A bill to establish the First State National Historical Park in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–109), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 339—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [14FE], [12MR], [13MR], [22MR], [27MR], [17AP], [6JN], [31JY], [11SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S. 343—A bill to amend Title I of PL 99–658 regarding the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau, to approve the results of the 15-year review of the Compact, including the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Following the Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review, and to appropriate funds for the purposes of the amended PL 99–658 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2024, to carry out the agreements resulting from that review; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [23JY]

S. 344—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Com-

pensation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [5MR], [11JN], [29JN], [10JY]

S. 351—A bill to authorize the exploration, leasing, development, and production of oil and gas in and from the western portion of the Coastal Plain of the State of Alaska without surface occupancy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [14MY]

S. 357—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to identify and declare wildlife disease emergencies and to coordinate rapid response to those emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 362—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [14MR], [22MR], [29MR], [16AP], [8MY], [17MY], [24MY], [26JN], [27JN], [29JN], [10JY], [11JY], [17JY], [31JY]

S. 363—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]
Passed House, [6JN]
Presented to the President (June 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–134] (signed June 15, 2012)

S. 368—A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to suspend a limitation on the period for which certain borrowers are eligible for guaranteed assistance; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [14MY]

S. 371—A bill to improve the efficiency, operation, and security of the national transportation system to move freight by leveraging investments and promoting partnerships that advance interstate and foreign commerce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. 376—A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [31JA], [9FE]

S. 379—A bill to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe—Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 381—A bill to amend the Arms Export Control Act to provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the United States by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Department of State or the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [6MR]

S. 387—A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide flexible spending arrangements for members of uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [13JN], [14JN], [27JN], [28JN], [9JY], [23JY]

S. 392—A bill to support and encourage the health and well-being of elementary school and secondary school students by enhancing school physical education and health education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [27NO]

S. 394—A bill to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [6MR]

S. 402—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of a military service medal to members of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Cold War, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [9FE]

S. 404—A bill to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [18JN]
Presented to the President (June 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–137] (signed June 27, 2012)

S. 412—A bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [6FE], [7FE], [9FE], [8MR], [4JN], [11JY]

S. 414—A bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [2FE], [13FE], [14FE], [28FE], [13MR]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Placed on the calendar, [23MY]
Passed Senate, [24MY]

S. 416—A bill to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]

S. 418—A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [7FE], [13FE], [16FE], [28FE], [2MR], [12MR], [13MR], [14MR], [19MR], [21MR], [22MR], [26MR], [27MR], [17AP], [24AP], [8MY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [10MY]

S. 424—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to ambulance services under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [27FE], [19AP], [19JY]

S. 426—A bill to strengthen student achievement and graduation rates and prepare young people for college, careers, and citizenship through innovative partnerships that meet the comprehensive needs of children and youth; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [12SE], [27NO]

S. 432—A bill to provide for environmental restoration activities and forest management activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [24JY]

S. 434—A bill to improve and expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students in the United States by improving professional development programs for kindergarten through grade 12 teachers offered through institutions of higher education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [19MR], [19AP], [23AP], [26AP], [11JN], [26JN], [27JN], [12JY], [11SE]

S. 438—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve women's health by prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [17MY], [30JY]

S. 461—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend financing of the Superfund; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [15MR]

S. 465—A bill to prevent mail, telemarketing, and Internet fraud targeting seniors in the United States, to promote efforts to increase public awareness of the enormous impact that mail, telemarketing, and Internet fraud have on seniors, to educate the public, seniors, and their families, and their caregivers about how to identify and combat fraudulent activity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [11DE]

S. 466—A bill to provide for the restoration of legal rights for claimants under holocaust-era insurance policies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [28JN]

S. 485—A bill to expand the boundaries of the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]

S. 489—A bill to require certain mortgagees to evaluate loans for modifications, to establish a grant program for State and local government mediation programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [7FE], [13FE]

S. 490—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the maximum age for children eligible for medical care under the CHAMPVA Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 491—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [27FE], [1MR], [23AP], [26AP], [9MY], [21MY], [18JN]

S. 499—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–110), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 500—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–111), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 501—A bill to establish pilot projects under the Medicare Program to provide incentives for home health agencies to utilize home monitoring and communications technologies; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [15FE]

S. 503—A bill to declare English as the official language of the United States, to establish a uniform English language rule for naturalization, and to avoid misconstructions of the English language texts of the laws of the United States, pursuant to Congress' powers to provide for the general welfare of the United States and to establish a uniform rule of naturalization under article I, section 8, of the Constitution; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [10MY], [11JN], [10SE]

S. 504—A bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [21JN]

S. 506—A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students;

to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [10MY]

S. 507—A bill to provide for increased Federal oversight of prescription opioid treatment and assistance to States in reducing opioid abuse, diversion, and deaths; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [21MY]

S. 509—A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 526—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in Mohave County, Arizona, to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–112), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 534—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced rate of excise tax on beer produced domestically by certain small producers; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [15MY], [28JN], [10JY], [30JY]

S. 539—A bill to amend the Public Health Services Act and the Social Security Act to extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [14FE], [28JN]

S. 543—A bill to restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [20MR], [29MR], [22MY], [5DE]

S. 546—A bill to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [17FE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 547—A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish an award program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre—kindergarten through higher education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [17MY]

S. 550—A bill to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26MR]

S. 555—A bill to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [29FE], [20JN], [21JN]

S. 557—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [20MR], [22MY], [12JN]

S. 558—A bill to limit the use of cluster munitions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [1AU]

S. 563—A bill to provide for equal access to COBRA continuation coverage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [12SE], [19SE]

S. 565—A bill to establish an employment—based immigrant visa for alien entrepreneurs who have received significant capital from investors to establish a business in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 567—A bill to amend the small, rural school achievement program and the rural and low-income school program under part B of title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 577—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify eligibility for the child tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [22MY]

S. 581—A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require criminal background checks for child care providers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [19JY]

S. 584—A bill to establish the Social Work Reinvestment Commission to provide independent counsel to Congress and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on policy issues associated with recruitment, retention, research, and reinvestment in the profession of social work, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [7MY]

S. 593—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [1MR]

S. 595—A bill to amend title VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to complete payments under such title to local educational agencies eligible for such payments within 3 fiscal years; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [31JA]
Removal of cosponsors, [17MY]

S. 598—A bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [10MY]

S. 604—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under part B of the Medicare Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 605—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [29FE]

S. 606—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve the priority review voucher incentive program relating to tropical and rare pediatric diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [5JN]

S. 621—A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to provide for use of excess funds available under that Act to provide for certain benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 629—A bill to improve hydropower, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [15NO]

S. 634—A bill to ensure that the courts of the United States may provide an impartial forum for claims brought by United States citizens and others against any railroad organized as a separate legal entity, arising from the deportation of United States citizens and others to Nazi concentration camps on trains owned or operated by such railroad, and by the heirs and survivors of such persons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [11SE], [12SE]

S. 641—A bill to provide 100,000,000 people with first-time access to safe drinking water and sanitation on a sustainable basis within six years by improving the capacity of the United States Government to fully implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [13FE], [15FE], [19MR], [26MR], [10SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]

S. 645—A bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [15FE], [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 646—A bill to reauthorize Federal natural hazards reduction programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]
Placed on the calendar, [27FE]

S. 648—A bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to revise the medical and evaluation criteria for determining disability in a person diagnosed with Huntington's Disease and to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare eligibility for individuals disabled by Huntington's Disease; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [14FE], [16FE], [15NO]

S. 649—A bill to expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [6JN]

S. 657—A bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [4JN], [19JY]

S. 658—A bill to provide for the preservation of the Department of Defense of documentary evidence of the Department of Defense on incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment in the military, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [16AP]

S. 665—A bill to promote industry growth and competitiveness and to improve worker training, retention, and advancement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [29FE]

S. 667—A bill to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–113), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 672—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [7FE], [22MR], [17AP], [16JY], [18JY], [2AU]

S. 675—A bill to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Placed on the calendar, [17DE]

S. 676—A bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Placed on the calendar, [17MY]

S. 678—A bill to increase the penalties for economic espionage; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [31JY]

S. 679—A bill to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Passed House, [31JY]
Presented to the President (August 2, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–166] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 680—A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [31JA]

S. 684—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [18JN]
Presented to the President (June 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–138] (signed June 27, 2012)

S. 685—A bill to repeal the Federal sugar program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [19MR]

S. 687—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [6MR], [8MR], [29MR], [17AP], [23AP], [24AP], [23MY], [6JN], [16JY], [19JY], [21SE]

S. 692—A bill to improve hurricane preparedness by establishing the National Hurricane Research Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]

S. 693—A bill to establish a term certain for the conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, to provide conditions for continued operation of such enterprises, and to provide for the wind down of such operations and dissolution of such enterprises; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [17MY], [26JN], [27JN]

S. 697—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [18JN], [21JN], [25JN], [29JN], [11JY], [24JY], [10SE]

S. 700—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the treatment of certain farming business machinery and equipment as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 703—A bill to amend the Long-Term Leasing Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [16JY]

S. 704—A bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [30JA], [1FE], [9FE], [1AU]

S. 705—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [9MY], [6JN]

S. 707—A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to provide further protection for puppies; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 710—A bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–195] (signed October 5, 2012)

S. 714—A bill to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [18AP]

S. 720—A bill to repeal the CLASS Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [1FE]

S. 722—A bill to strengthen and protect Medicare hospice programs; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [26AP], [7JN], [12JN], [18JY], [11SE], [20SE]

S. 738—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and related dementia diagnosis and services in order to improve care and outcomes for Americans living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias by improving detection, diagnosis, and care planning; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [23AP], [7MY], [20SE], [21SE]

S. 739—A bill to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Passed Senate amended, [24MY]
Passed House, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–167] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 740—A bill to revise and extend provisions under the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [19MR], [10MY]

S. 743—A bill to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
Placed on the calendar, [19AP]
Passed Senate amended, [8MY]
Passed House amended, [28SE]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [13NO]
Presented to the President (November 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–199] (signed November 27, 2012)

S. 750—A bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [26AP]

S. 751—A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to develop a comprehensive national manufacturing strategy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 752—A bill to establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [9MY], [25JY], [30JY]

S. 755—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past-due; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [9MY], [13SE], [13NO]

S. 765—A bill to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–114), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 766—A bill to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–115), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 772—A bill to protect Federal employees and visitors, improve the security of Federal facilities and authorize and modernize the Federal Protective Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 775—A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to encourage research and carry out an educational campaign with respect to pulmonary hypertension, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [29FE], [6JN]

S. 778—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to physician supervision of therapeutic hospital outpatient services; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 779—A bill to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–116), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 792—A bill to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]

S. 797—A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [4JN]

S. 798—A bill to provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register certain firearms in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [27MR]

S. 802—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–117), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 803—A bill to implement a comprehensive border security plan to combat illegal immigration, drug and alien smuggling, and violent activity in the southwest border of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [22MR]

S. 807—A bill to authorize the Department of Labor's voluntary protection program and to expand the program to include more small businesses; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [27FE]

S. 810—A bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Cosponsors added, [26JA], [16FE], [13SE], [19SE], [20SE]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
Placed on the calendar, [30NO]

S. 811—A bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [19SE]

S. 816—A bill to facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [13FE], [29MR]

S. 818—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to count a period of receipt of outpatient observation services in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services under Medicare; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10JY], [31JY], [21DE]

S. 821—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [17AP], [6JN], [13SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S. 823—A bill to permit aliens who lawfully enter the United States on valid visas as nonimmigrant elementary and secondary school students to attend public schools in the United States for longer than 1 year if such aliens reimburse the local educational agency that administers the school for the full, unsubsidized per capita cost of providing education at such school for the period of the alien's attendance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [3DE]

S. 824—A bill to provide for enhanced mortgage-backed and asset-backed security investor protections, to prevent foreclosure fraud, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [7FE]

S. 827—A bill to allow a State to combine certain funds and enter into a performance agreement with the Secretary of Education to improve the academic achievement of students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [12SE]

S. 829—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [25AP], [10SE], [13SE]

S. 833—A bill to provide grants to States to ensure that all students in the middle grades are taught an academically rigorous curriculum with effective supports so that students complete the middle grades prepared for success in secondary school and postsecondary endeavors, to improve State and district policies and programs relating to the academic achievement of students in the middle grades, to develop and implement effective middle grades models for struggling students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [28NO]

S. 835—A bill to reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, modernize firearms laws and regulations, protect the community from criminals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [26MR]

S. 839—A bill to ban the sale of certain synthetic drugs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [8MR]

S. 845—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the logical flow of return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals to better enable each party to submit timely, accurate returns and reduce the need for extended and amended returns, to provide for modified due dates by regulation, and to conform the automatic corporate extension period to long-standing regulatory rule; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23MY], [9JY], [23JY], [30JY], [31JY], [10SE], [6DE]

S. 847—A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [26JA], [18AP], [17MY], [22MY], [24MY], [11JN], [25JY], [31JY], [2AU], [11SE], [20SE], [13NO], [21DE]
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]
Placed on the calendar, [27DE]

S. 865—A bill to provide grants to promote financial literacy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [22MY]

S. 866—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify the per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or active service used to reduce the minimum age at which a member of a reserve component of the uniformed services may retire for non-regular service; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [12JN], [14JN], [18JN], [20JN], [21JN], [23JY]

S. 881—A bill to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act to assure meaningful disclosures of the terms of rental-purchase agreements, including disclosures of all costs to consumers under such agreements, to provide substantive rights to consumers under such agreements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [7FE], [8MR], [18AP], [19AP], [23AP], [10MY], [24MY], [20JN], [24JY], [25JY]

S. 883—A bill to authorize National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor free persons and slaves who fought for independence, liberty, and justice for all during the American Revolution; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–118), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Cosponsors added, [26NO]

S. 886—A bill to amend the Interstate Horseracing Act of 1978 to prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [21JN]

S. 888—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–119), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 889—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother's Day; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. 890—A bill to establish the supplemental fraud fighting account, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Placed on the calendar, [30JA]

S. 891—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the recognition of attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [19AP], [19SE], [21SE]

S. 893—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Louisiana for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control feral swine and to assess and restore wetlands damaged by feral swine; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]

S. 896—A bill to amend the Public Land Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–120), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Cosponsors added, [23JY]

S. 897—A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–429), [16AP]

S. 905—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for the purchase of hearing aids; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16FE]

S. 911—A bill to establish the sense of Congress that Congress should enact, and the President should sign, bipartisan legislation to strengthen public safety and to enhance wireless communications; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment, [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]

S. 922—A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to authorize the Secretary of Labor to provide grants for Urban Jobs Programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [8MR]

S. 925—A bill to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [20DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–259] (signed January 10, 2013)

S. 930—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the same capital gains treatment for art and collectibles as for other investment property and to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23MY]

S. 932—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a $1,000 refundable credit for individuals who are bona fide volunteer members of volunteer firefighting and emergency medical service organizations; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 933—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and increase the exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [18JN], [23JY]

S. 941—A bill to strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [18AP], [9MY], [26JN]

S. 952—A bill to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents and who entered the United States as children and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [29JN]

S. 957—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of rehabilitative services

for veterans with traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [15MR], [14MY]

S. 958—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [16AP]

S. 960—A bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVG in the home; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [14MY], [16MY], [28JN], [11JY]

S. 961—A bill to create the income security conditions and family supports needed to ensure permanency for the Nation's unaccompanied youth, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JY], [19SE]

S. 962—A bill to reauthorize the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act to promote the protection of the resources of the Northwest Straits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
Placed on the calendar, [27FE]

S. 967—A bill to establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [17AP]

S. 968—A bill to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Removal of cosponsors, [23JA], [26JA]
Cloture motion on motion to proceed withdrawn, [23JA]

S. 970—A bill to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–121), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 971—A bill to promote neutrality, simplicity, and fairness in the taxation of digital goods and digital services; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [12JY]

S. 973—A bill to create the National Endowment for the Oceans to promote the protection and conservation of the United States ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [6FE]

S. 974—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and to promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [9MY], [28JN], [29JN]

S. 975—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of physical therapists in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23AP]

S. 987—A bill to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [19MR], [21JN]

S. 996—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the new markets tax credit through 2016, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [7JN], [12JN], [23JY], [13SE], [19SE]

S. 997—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Passed House, [18JN]
Presented to the President (June 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–139] (signed June 27, 2012)

S. 998—A bill to amend title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the case of airline pilots who are required by regulation to retire at age 60, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [29FE], [5MR], [10SE], [13SE], [20SE], [26NO], [30NO], [19DE], [20DE]

S. 1002—A bill to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [28FE], [7MR], [8MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–204), [28AU]
Placed on the calendar, [28AU]

S. 1004—A bill to support Promise Neighborhoods; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 1005—A bill to provide for parental notification and intervention in the case of a minor seeking an abortion; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [24MY]

S. 1018—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, and the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 to provide for implementation of additional recommendations of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1023—A bill to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [31JA], [2FE], [14FE], [15FE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Placed on the calendar, [15MY]

S. 1034—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to equalize the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and to provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [31JA]

S. 1035—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include automated fire sprinkler systems as section 179 property and classify certain automated fire sprinkler systems as 15-year property for purposes of depreciation; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 1039—A bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [6FE], [13FE], [14MR], [21MR], [18AP], [7MY], [24MY], [12JN], [21JN], [18JY]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Placed on the calendar, [23JY]

S. 1042—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a Medicare payment option for patients and physicians or practitioners to freely contract, without penalty, for Medicare fee-for-service items and services, while allowing Medicare beneficiaries to use their Medicare benefits; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 1045—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans provide coverage for treatment of a minor child's congenital or developmental deformity or disorder due to trauma, burns, infection, tumor, or disease; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 1047—A bill to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–122), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 1048—A bill to expand sanctions imposed with respect to the Islamic Republic of Iran, North Korea, and Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [5MR]

S. 1051—A bill to impose sanctions on individuals who are complicit in human rights abuses committed against nationals of Vietnam or their family members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [31JA]

S. 1058—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure transparency and proper operation of pharmacy benefit managers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [7FE], [10MY]

S. 1061—A bill to amend title 5 and 28, United States Code, with respect to the award of fees and other expenses in cases brought against agencies of the United States, to require the Administrative Conference of the United States to compile, and make publically available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 1065—A bill to settle land claims within the Fort Hall Reservation; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 1069—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [12MR], [16AP], [23AP], [11SE]

S. 1086—A bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [1MR], [8MR], [21MR], [17AP], [24AP], [10MY], [14JN], [29NO]

S. 1090—A bill to designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–123), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 1096—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to, and utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits under the Medicare part B program by extending the minimum payment amount for bone mass measurement under such program through 2013; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [27JN]

S. 1099—A bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [6FE]

S. 1100—A bill to amend title 41, United States Code, to prohibit inserting politics into the Federal acquisi-

tion process by prohibiting the submission of political contribution information as a condition of receiving a Federal contract; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19DE]
Placed on the calendar, [19DE]

S. 1102—A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [24JY], [15NO]

S. 1106—A bill to authorize Department of Defense support for programs on pro bono legal assistance for members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [30JA]

S. 1107—A bill to authorize and support psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, to express the sense of the Congress to encourage and leverage public and private investment in psoriasis research with a particular focus on interdisciplinary collaborative research on the relationship between psoriasis and its comorbid conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [7MY]

S. 1108—A bill to provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 1111—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the tax on beer to its pre-1991 level, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10MY]

S. 1119—A bill to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [15MR], [18JN]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]

S. 1129—A bill to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [21MR]

S. 1131—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to establish and implement a birth defects prevention, risk reduction, and public awareness program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [14NO]

S. 1133—A bill to prevent the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [16JY]

S. 1134—A bill to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–124), [13JA]
Passed Senate amended, [23JA]
Passed House, [1MR]
Presented to the President (March 6, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–100] (signed March 14, 2012)

S. 1142—A bill to promote the mapping and development of the United States geothermal resources by establishing a direct loan program for high risk geothermal exploration wells, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to improve geothermal energy technology and demonstrate the use of geothermal energy in large scale thermal applications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–145), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]

S. 1147—A bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and service to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [28JN]

S. 1148—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of assistance to homeless veterans, to improve the regulation of fiduciaries who represent individuals for purposes of receiving benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
Cosponsors added, [8MR]

S. 1149—A bill to expand geothermal production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]

S. 1160—A bill to improve the administration of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–147), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]

S. 1161—A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [16FE]

S. 1162—A bill to authorize the International Trade Commission to develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. 1164—A bill to empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway programs and mass transit programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [9FE]

S. 1166—A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to expand coverage under the Act, to increase protections for whistleblowers, to increase penalties for high gravity violations, to adjust penalties for inflation, to provide rights for victims of family members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [8MY]

S. 1167—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [27FE], [1MR], [15MR], [6JN], [19JY]

S. 1168—A bill to authorize a national grant program for on-the-job training; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [22MR]

S. 1171—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible dependent beneficiaries of employees; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23MY], [10SE], [11SE], [13SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S. 1173—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Read the first time, [27FE]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [15MY], [10JY], [26JY], [13NO]

S. 1174—A bill to provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [4JN]

S. 1190—A bill to reduce disparities and improve access to effective and cost efficient diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer through advances in testing, research, and education, including through telehealth, comparative effectiveness research, and identification of best practices in patient education and outreach particularly with respect to underserved racial, ethnic and rural populations and men with a family history of prostate cancer, to establish a directive on what constitutes clinically appropriate prostate cancer imaging, and to create a prostate cancer scientific advisory board for the Office of the Chief Scientist at the Food and Drug Administration to accelerate real-time sharing of the latest research and accelerate movement of new medicines to patients; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [6MR]

S. 1201—A bill to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
Placed on the calendar, [17JY]

S. 1202—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reaffirm the United States' historic commitment to protecting refugees who are fleeing persecution or torture; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. 1214—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, regarding restrictions on the use of Department of Defense funds and facilities for abortions; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [28FE]

S. 1215—A bill to provide for the exchange of land located in the Lowell National Historical Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 1218—A bill to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs .
Reported (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

S. 1221—A bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [4JN], [12JN], [10JY]

S. 1223—A bill to address voluntary location tracking of electronic communications devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [17DE]
Placed on the calendar, [17DE]

S. 1224—A bill to amend Public Law 106–392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery program through fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [24MY]

S. 1231—A bill to reauthorize the Second Chance Act of 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]

S. 1236—A bill to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Passed Senate, [30JA]

S. 1241—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1244—A bill to provide for preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [19AP], [25AP], [7JN], [13NO], [20DE]

S. 1245—A bill to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [29JN], [27NO]

S. 1249—A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [14FE]

S. 1251—A bill to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [28FE], [23AP], [8MY], [28JN]

S. 1258—A bill to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 1262—A bill to improve Indian education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Placed on the calendar, [21DE]

S. 1265—A bill to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide consistent and reliable authority for, and for the funding of, the land and water conservation fund to maximize the effectiveness of the fund for future generations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [6FE], [2AU]

S. 1266—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to build on and help coordinate funding for the restoration and protection efforts of the 4-State Delaware River Basin region, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Placed on the calendar, [16JY]

S. 1268—A bill to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Government by providing for greater interagency experience among national security and homeland security personnel through the development of a national security and homeland security human capital strategy and interagency rotational service by employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 1269—A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to require the Secretary of Education to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on such schools' athletic programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [2FE], [7FE], [9FE], [27JN], [24JY], [31JY], [13NO]

S. 1270—A bill to prohibit the export from the United States of certain electronic waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [19MR], [8MY]

S. 1273—A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act with regard to certain exemptions under that Act for direct care workers and to improve the systems for the collection and reporting of data relating to the direct care workforce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [12MR]

S. 1277—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the incentives for the production of biodiesel; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [31JA]

S. 1278—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on indoor tanning services; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 1281—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the transportation of horses in interstate transportation in a motor vehicle containing two or more levels stacked on top of one another; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [22MY], [21SE]

S. 1283—A bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to permit leave to care for a same-sex spouse, domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, grandchild, or grandparent who has a serious health condition; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [8MR], [29JN]

S. 1288—A bill to exempt certain class A CDL drivers from the requirement to obtain a hazardous material endorsement while operating a service vehicle with a fuel tank containing 3,785 liters (1,000 gallons) or less of diesel fuel; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [15MY]

S. 1296—A bill to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI–04P, Easton Beach Unit RI–05P, Almy Pond Unit RI–06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI–07 in the State of Rhode Island; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Passed Senate, [1FE]

S. 1297—A bill to preserve State and institutional authority relating to State authorization and the definition of credit hour; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [28FE], [7MY]

S. 1299—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [30JA], [1FE], [13FE], [27FE], [29FE], [2MR], [19MR], [20MR], [27MR], [16AP], [17AP], [25AP], [8MY], [10MY], [14MY], [16MY], [22MY], [5JN], [18JN], [20JN], [25JN], [26JN], [28JN], [10JY], [18JY], [23JY], [24JY], [25JY], [26JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [26JY]

S. 1301—A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 to 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [5MR], [7MR], [8MR], [19MR], [27MR], [26AP], [10MY], [6JN], [7JN], [27JN], [29JN], [10SE], [13SE], [20SE], [21SE], [27NO], [18DE], [20DE]

S. 1302—A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Tracy, California, to the City of Tracy; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Passed House, [7MY]
Presented to the President (May 10, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–119] (signed May 15, 2012)

S. 1307—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey real property, including improvements, of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Ketchikan, Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]

S. 1309—A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [31JA], [26MR], [10MY], [6JN], [19SE]

S. 1315—A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend public safety officers' death benefits to fire police officers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [9FE]

S. 1316—A bill to prevent a fiscal crisis by enacting legislation to balance the Federal budget through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending; to the Committee on the Budget.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [6FE], [27MR], [18AP], [13JN]

S. 1324—A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the importation, exportation, transportation, and sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Placed on the calendar, [17JY]
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 1325—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating sites in the Lower Mississippi River Area in the State of Louisiana as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–125), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 1329—A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to establish a pilot program to facilitate the provision of education and training programs in the field of advanced manufacturing; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [19MR]

S. 1333—A bill to provide for the treatment and temporary financing of short-time compensation programs; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]

S. 1335—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [9FE], [13MR], [16MY], [17MY], [5JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [29JN]
Passed House, [23JY]
Presented to the President (July 26, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–153] (signed August 3, 2012)

S. 1336—A bill to prevent immigration fraud, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 1344—A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to take immediate action to recover ecologically and economically from a catastrophic wildfire in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–126), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]

S. 1350—A bill to expand the research, prevention, and awareness activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health with respect to pulmonary fibrosis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [5MR], [20MR], [26NO]

S. 1354—A bill to authorize grants to promote media literacy and youth empowerment programs, to authorize research on the role and impact of depictions of girls and women in the media, to provide for the establishment of a National Task Force on Girls and Women in the Media, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 1355—A bill to regulate political robocalls; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1360—A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [26JA]

S. 1366—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to broaden the special rules for certain governmental plans under section 105(j) to include

plans established by political subdivisions; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [21MR], [31JY], [21SE]

S. 1368—A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal distributions for medicine qualified only if for prescribed drug or insulin; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [17AP], [9MY], [21JN], [23JY]

S. 1369—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [9FE]

S. 1372—A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding environmental education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [17JY], [23JY]

S. 1374—A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe rules prohibiting deceptive advertising of abortion services; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [6MR]

S. 1375—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that corporate tax benefits based upon stock option compensation expenses be consistent with accounting expenses shown in corporate financial statements for such compensation; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]

S. 1379—A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to revise certain administrative authorities of the District of Columbia courts, and to authorize the District of Columbia Public Defender Service to provide professional liability insurance for officers and employees of the Service for claims relating to services furnished within the scope of employment with the Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
Placed on the calendar, [25JN]
Passed Senate amended, [9JY]
Passed House, [13DE]
Presented to the President (December 17, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–229] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 1381—A bill to provide for the expansion of Federal efforts concerning the prevention, education, treatment, and research activities related to Lyme and other tick-borne disease, including the establishment of a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [12JN], [19JY], [20SE]

S. 1385—A bill to terminate the $1 presidential coin program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [12JY], [2AU]

S. 1391—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the disability compensation evaluation procedure of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [11SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S. 1397—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from offshore wind; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [10JY]

S. 1401—A bill to conserve wild Pacific salmon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Placed on the calendar, [30JA]

S. 1408—A bill to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing sensitive personally identifiable information, to disclose any breach of such information; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [6FE]
Placed on the calendar, [6FE]

S. 1409—A bill to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [12MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–181), [12JY]
Placed on the calendar, [12JY]
Passed Senate amended, [1AU]

S. 1421—A bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–127), [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]
Cosponsors added, [2FE], [27FE], [14MR], [15MR], [27MR], [29MR], [7JN], [24JY]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 1423—A bill to clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [13NO], [4DE]

S. 1425—A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure fairness in election procedures with respect to collective bargaining representatives; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [27FE], [7MR]

S. 1435—A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to exclude child care from the determination of the 5-year limit on assistance under the temporary assistance for needy families program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 1438—A bill to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 7.7 percent; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [12SE]

S. 1440—A bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [7MR], [11JN], [16JY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Passed Senate amended, [15NO]
Passed House amended, [19DE]
Title amended, [19DE]

S. 1449—A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds for highway safety programs and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]

S. 1450—A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a commercial truck safety program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 1451—A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [26JA]

S. 1454—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for extended months of Medicare coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [12MR], [25AP], [7MY], [8MY], [22MY], [13JN], [18JN], [21JN], [26JY], [2AU], [19SE]

S. 1460—A bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [14FE], [28FE], [16AP], [9MY], [24MY], [5JN], [19JY], [23JY], [13NO], [27NO]

S. 1461—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the Food and Drug Administration's jurisdiction over certain tobacco products, and to protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing and distribution of traditional and premium cigars; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [7FE], [5MR], [8MY], [14MY], [24MY], [12JN], [13JN], [1AU], [19SE]

S. 1463—A bill to amend the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to protect breastfeeding by new mothers and to provide for reasonable break time for nursing mothers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 1467—A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to protect rights of conscience with regard to requirements for coverage of specific items and services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [31JA], [1FE], [7FE], [9FE], [14FE]

S. 1468—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by authorizing certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services, under part B of the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [21DE]

S. 1478—A bill to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–128), [13JA]
Placed on the calendar, [13JA]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 1479—A bill to preserve Medicare beneficiary choice by restoring and expanding Medicare open enrollment and disenrollment opportunities; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 1483—A bill to ensure that persons who form corporations in the United States disclose the beneficial owners of those corporations, in order to prevent wrongdoers from exploiting United States corporations in ways that threaten homeland security, to assist law enforcement in detecting, preventing, and punishing terrorism, money laundering, and other misconduct involving United States corporations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [9JY]

S. 1486—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify and expand on criteria applicable to patient admission to and care furnished in long-term care hospitals participating in the Medicare Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA]

S. 1494—A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [16FE], [12JN]
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 1497—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend for 3 years reasonable cost contracts under Medicare; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [5MR], [15MY]

S. 1503—A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Cosponsors added, [16FE]

S. 1506—A bill to prevent the Secretary of the Treasury from expanding United States bank reporting requirements with respect to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 1507—A bill to provide protections from workers with respect to their right to select or refrain from selecting representation by a labor organization; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [21MY], [13JN]

S. 1512—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [28FE], [10MY], [22MY], [23MY], [4JN], [13JN], [19JN], [10SE], [12SE], [13SE]

S. 1515—A bill to permit certain members of the United States Secret Service and certain members of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division who were appointed in 1984, 1985, or 1986 to elect to be covered under the District of Columbia Police and Firefighter Retirement and Disability System in the same manner as members appointed prior to 1984; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–205), [28AU]
Placed on the calendar, [28AU]

S. 1526—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax incentive for the installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [1AU], [2AU]

S. 1534—A bill to prevent identity theft and tax fraud; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [19AP]

S. 1544—A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [7MR]

S. 1546—A bill to authorize certain programs of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–249), [13DE]
Placed on the calendar, [13DE]

S. 1551—A bill to establish a smart card pilot program under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [21MY]

S. 1555—A bill to authorize the use of certain offshore oil and gas platforms in the Gulf of Mexico for artificial reefs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [19JY]

S. 1561—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the deductibility of charitable contributions to agricultural research organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [7MY]

S. 1575—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [9FE], [26MR], [18AP]

S. 1576—A bill to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [24AP]

S. 1577—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [27FE], [14MY], [15MY], [19JY], [11SE]

S. 1578—A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act with respect to consumer confidence reports by community water systems; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [2MR], [21MY], [10JY]

S. 1591—A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [30JA], [31JA], [9FE], [27FE], [5MR], [6MR], [7MR], [12MR], [19MR], [27MR], [16AP], [17AP], [18AP], [19AP], [25AP], [7MY], [8MY], [9MY], [10MY], [14MY], [15MY], [17MY], [22MY], [4JN], [5JN], [6JN], [11JN], [12JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN]

S. 1597—A bill to provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary school and secondary school buildings in public school districts and community colleges across the United States in order to support the achievement of improved educational outcomes in those schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [19MR], [29MR]

S. 1598—A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to prevent excessive speculation in commodity markets and excessive speculative position limits on energy contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [7MR], [14MR]

S. 1600—A bill to enhance the ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [4JN]

S. 1605—A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [24JY]

S. 1606—A bill to reform the process by which Federal agencies analyze and formulate new regulations and guidance documents; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [30JA]

S. 1607—A bill to include shellfish to the list of crops eligible for the noninsured crop disaster assistance program and the emergency assistance for livestock program of the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1610—A bill to provide additional time for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to promulgate achievable standards for cement manufacturing facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [1FE]

S. 1613—A bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [4JN], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN], [14JN], [18JN]

S. 1616—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investments in United States real property interests, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [31JA], [9FE], [13FE], [1MR], [10MY], [25JN], [11JY], [29NO]

S. 1621—A bill to create livable communities through coordinated public investment and streamlined requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [16JY]

S. 1622—A bill to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, to relocate to Jerusalem the United States Embassy in Israel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [24AP]

S. 1629—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [31JA], [6FE], [27MR], [19AP], [7MY], [28JN]

S. 1641—A bill to implement the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]

S. 1642—A bill to implement the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]

S. 1643—A bill to implement the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

S. 1645—A bill to establish an Oleoresin Capsicum Spray Pilot Program in the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26JA]

S. 1647—A bill to repeal the sunset on the reduction of capital gains rates for individuals and on the taxation of dividends of individuals at capital gain rates; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [14MY]

S. 1657—A bill to amend the provisions of law relating to sport fish restoration and recreational boating safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Placed on the calendar, [30JA]

S. 1665—A bill to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–135), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 1670—A bill to eliminate racial profiling by law enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [16AP], [7MY], [19JN], [9JY], [26NO]

S. 1673—A bill to establish the Office of Agriculture Inspection within the Department of Homeland Security, which shall be headed by the Assistant Commissioner for Agriculture Inspection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [8MR], [18JY]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Placed on the calendar, [26NO]

S. 1674—A bill to improve teacher quality, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [14FE]

S. 1676—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for taxpayers making donations with their returns of income tax to the Federal Government to pay down the public debt; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [9FE]

S. 1680—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of Medicare beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers under the Medicare Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [14FE]

S. 1683—A bill to provide the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the Department of the Treasury with authority to more aggressively enforce trade laws relating to textile and apparel articles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [20SE]

S. 1684—A bill to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005,

and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Placed on the calendar, [21DE]

S. 1685—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow rehabilitation expenditures for public school buildings to qualify for rehabilitation credit; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 1696—A bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [27MR], [21MY], [5JN], [29NO]

S. 1700—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to device review determinations and conflicts of interest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [22MR]

S. 1701—A bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [15MY]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 1703—A bill to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to require a Quadrennial Energy Review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [8MY]

S. 1707—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the conditions under which certain persons may be treated as adjudicated mentally incompetent for certain purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1709—A bill to temporarily reduce interest rates for certain small business disaster loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
Cosponsors added, [19DE]

S. 1710—A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, as the James M. Fitzgerald United States Courthouse; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Passed House, [5MR]
Presented to the President (March 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–101] (signed March 14, 2012)

S. 1718—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the application of Medicare secondary payer rules for certain claims; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [29MR], [26AP], [10MY], [18JN], [10SE], [20SE], [13NO], [28NO]

S. 1723—A bill to provide for teacher and first responder stabilization.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 1728—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense relating to fraudulent claims about military service; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [29FE], [10JY], [18JY], [25JY], [29NO]

S. 1734—A bill to provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [17FE], [19AP], [23AP], [7MY], [22MY]

S. 1735—A bill to approve the transfer of Yellow Creek Port properties in Iuka, Mississippi; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]
Placed on the calendar, [30NO]

S. 1737—A bill to improve the accuracy of mortgage underwriting used by Federal mortgage agencies by ensuring that energy costs are included in the underwriting process, to reduce the amount of energy consumed by homes, to facilitate the creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [15MR], [29MR]

S. 1740—A bill to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the reauthorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]

S. 1744—A bill to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [12JY], [19JY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [12JY]
Placed on the calendar, [12JY]

S. 1747—A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to modify provisions relating to the exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [13FE], [26JN], [9JY]

S. 1749—A bill to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [21MY]

S. 1751—A bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [7MY]

S. 1755—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [28FE], [27MR], [30JY]

S. 1759—A bill to facilitate the hosting in the United States of the 34th America's Cup by authorizing certain eligible vessels to participate in activities related to the competition; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]

S. 1763—A bill to decrease the incidence of violent crimes against Indian women, to strengthen the capacity of Indian tribes to exercise the sovereign authority of Indian tribes to respond to violent crimes committed against Indian women, and to ensure that perpetrators of violent crimes committed against Indian women are held accountable for that criminal behavior, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [17FE], [22MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
Placed on the calendar, [27DE]

S. 1770—A bill to prohibit discrimination in adoption or foster case placements based on the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of any prospective adoptive or foster parent, or the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [29FE], [7MR], [13MR], [12JN], [13NO]

S. 1773—A bill to promote local and regional farm and food systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [14FE], [16FE], [12MR], [19AP], [26AP]

S. 1774—A bill to establish the Rocky Mountain Front Conservation Management Area, to designate certain Federal land as wilderness, and to improve the management of noxious weeds in the Lewis and Clark National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [27MR]

S. 1775—A bill to promote the development of renewable energy on public lands and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [11JN], [2AU]

S. 1781—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received on account of claims based on certain unlawful discrimination and to allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards received on account of such claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 1782—A bill to provide for the reduction in unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV, and the promotion of healthy relationships, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [13NO]

S. 1787—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on certain trading transactions; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [16FE]

S. 1789—A bill to improve, sustain, and transform the United States Postal Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (no written report), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Senate invoked cloture, [17AP]
Considered, [17AP], [24AP]
Passed Senate amended, [25AP]

S. 1792—A bill to clarify the authority of the United States Marshal Service to assist other Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies in the investigation of cases involving sex offenders and missing children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Passed Senate, [17DE]

S. 1793—A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Passed Senate amended, [17DE]

S. 1794—A bill to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Passed Senate amended, [6FE]

S. 1796—A bill to make permanent the Internal Revenue Service Free File program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [9FE], [14FE], [16FE], [8MY], [10MY], [24MY], [10JY], [20SE]

S. 1798—A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that members of the Armed Forces who may have been exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits while deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [14FE], [11SE]

S. 1802—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out programs and activities that connect Americans, especially children, youth, and families, with the outdoors; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [7FE]

S. 1806—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [9JY], [23JY]

S. 1809—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for viral hepatitis surveillance, education, and testing in order

to prevent deaths from liver cancer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [27JN]

S. 1813—A bill to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported with amendments (no written report), [6FE]
Placed on the calendar, [6FE]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [7FE], [9FE]
Senate invoked cloture, [9FE]
Considered, [9FE], [15FE], [16FE], [17FE], [28FE], [29FE], [1MR], [2MR], [6MR], [7MR], [8MR], [12MR], [13MR]
Passed Senate amended, [14MR]
Senate inserted in H.R. 4348 as amendment (in nature of a substitute), [24AP]

S. 1816—A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to modify a provision relating to minimum penalties for repeat offenders for driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1821—A bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [16AP]

S. 1824—A bill to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [22MR]

S. 1832—A bill to restore States' sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [30JA], [29MR], [12JY], [23JY], [11SE], [14NO]

S. 1833—A bill to provide additional time for compliance with, and coordinating of, the compliance schedules for certain rules of the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [18AP]

S. 1834—A bill to restore and repair the United States mortgage markets by making them transparent, bringing in private capital, winding down the Government-sponsored enterprises, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [7FE]

S. 1838—A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on service dog training therapy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [1FE], [10JY]

S. 1840—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand and intensify programs of the National Institutes of Health with respect to translational research and related activities concerning Down Syndrome, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [20SE]

S. 1843—A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [28FE], [12JN], [26JN], [23JY], [30JY]

S. 1845—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [17FE], [5MR]

S. 1850—A bill to expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [19AP]

S. 1853—A bill to recalculate and restore retirement annuity obligations of the United States Postal Service, eliminate the requirement that the United States Postal Service pre-fund the Postal Service Retiree Health Benefits Fund, place restrictions on the closure of postal facilities, create incentives for innovation for the United States Postal Service, to maintain levels of postal service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [17FE]

S. 1855—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize various programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Passed Senate amended, [7MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR]

S. 1862—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and reduce the occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death and to enhance public health activities related to stillbirth; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [7FE], [19SE]

S. 1863—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage alternative energy investments and job creation; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [8MY], [17JY]

S. 1868—A bill to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the Smithsonian American Latino Museum, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [11DE]

S. 1872—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [6MR], [12MR], [14MR], [26MR], [26AP], [14MY], [15MY], [21MY], [27JN], [17JY], [25JY], [1AU], [10SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [14NO], [15NO], [18DE]

S. 1878—A bill to assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [8MY], [15MY], [21MY], [31JY]

S. 1880—A bill to repeal the health care law's job-killing health insurance tax; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [15FE], [8MR], [29MR], [16AP], [23AP], [8MY], [22MY], [6JN], [20JN], [21JN], [27JN], [17JY], [1AU], [2AU], [11SE], [13NO], [27NO], [5DE], [10DE]

S. 1881—A bill to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of climate variability and change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [8MY], [4JN]

S. 1882—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure that valid generic drugs may enter the market; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [6FE], [9MY], [14MY], [21JN], [10SE]

S. 1884—A bill to provide States with incentives to require elementary schools and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine at schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [30JA], [31JA], [1FE], [2FE], [7FE], [16FE], [17FE], [27FE], [29FE], [5MR], [8MR], [13MR], [26MR], [23AP], [7MY], [21MY], [23MY], [11JN], [13JN], [14JN], [20JN], [10JY], [19JY], [24JY], [25JY], [20SE]

S. 1886—A bill to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [1MR]
Passed Senate amended, [6MR]

S. 1894—A bill to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [13SE], [14NO]

S. 1895—A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program for the award of grants to States to establish revolving loan funds for small and medium-sized manufacturers to improve energy efficiency and produce clean energy technology, to provide a tax credit for farmers' investments in value-added agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [1FE]
Removal of cosponsors, [1FE]

S. 1896—A bill to eliminate the automatic inflation increases for discretionary programs built into the baseline projections and require budget estimates to be compared with the prior year's level; to the Committee on the Budget.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1897—A bill to amend Public Law 101–377 to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [5DE]

S. 1900—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to preserve access to urban Medicare-dependent hospitals; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [5MR]

S. 1903—A bill to prohibit commodities and securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transactions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [30JA]

S. 1904—A bill to provide information on total spending on means-tested welfare programs, to provide additional work requirements, and to provide an overall spending limit on means-tested welfare programs; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [22MY]

S. 1906—A bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program as the program applies to units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [19MR], [21JN]

S. 1908—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [15MY], [12JN], [29NO]

S. 1910—A bill to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [15MY], [21MY], [10SE], [12SE], [13SE], [19SE], [21SE]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
Placed on the calendar, [19DE]

S. 1911—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide recruitment and retention incentives for volunteer emergency service workers; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [23JY]

S. 1915—A bill to amend the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 to provide clarification regarding the applicability of exemptions relating to the transportation of agricultural commodities and farm supplies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [8MR]

S. 1916—A bill to exclude ecosystem component stocks of fish from certain annual catch limits and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 1919—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for transporting minors in foreign commerce for the purposes of female genital mutilation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [19AP]

S. 1925—A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [24JA], [26JA], [30JA], [1FE], [2FE], [6FE], [7FE], [9FE], [13FE], [14FE], [16FE], [17FE], [27FE], [28FE], [5MR], [13MR], [20MR], [22MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–153), [7FE]
Placed on the calendar, [7FE]
Considered, [17AP], [25AP]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [18AP], [19AP], [23AP], [24AP], [25AP]
Passed Senate amended, [26AP]

S. 1929—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [9MY], [16MY], [4JN], [25JN], [28JN], [29JN], [11JY], [16JY], [19JY], [23JY]

S. 1930—A bill to prohibit earmarks.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [30JA], [1FE], [27FE], [1MR]
Removal of cosponsors, [30JA]

S. 1933—A bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [5MR], [22MR]

S. 1935—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [26JA], [1FE], [28FE], [1MR], [7MR], [8MR], [15MR], [19MR], [20MR], [22MR], [29MR], [23AP], [24AP], [25AP], [7MY], [9MY], [15MY], [22MY], [24MY], [6JN], [12JN], [13JN], [14JN], [19JN], [26JN], [28JN], [29JN], [10JY], [12JY], [16JY], [17JY], [18JY], [24JY], [25JY], [26JY], [30JY], [31JY], [1AU], [11SE]

S. 1940—An original bill to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to restore the financial solvency of the flood insurance fund, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [12JN], [13JN], [14JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the House, [25JN]
Considered, [25JN]

S. 1941—A bill to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 1942—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve transportation for seniors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [6MR]

S. 1945—A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [29FE], [27MR]
Reported (no written report), [13FE]
Placed on the calendar, [13FE]

S. 1946—A bill to require foreign manufacturers of products imported into the United States to establish registered agents in the United States who are authorized to accept service of process against such manufacturers; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. 1947—A bill to prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [26JA], [1FE], [6FE], [26MR], [24MY], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN], [18JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [4DE]

S. 1950—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve commercial motor vehicle safety and reduce commercial motor vehicle-related accidents and fatalities, to authorize the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 1952—A bill to improve hazardous materials transportation safety and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]

S. 1953—A bill to reauthorize the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, to improve transportation research and development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–236), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 1956—A bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [29FE], [6MR], [8MR], [12JN], [13JN], [25JN], [23JY], [30JY]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]
Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
Passed House, [13NO]
Presented to the President (November 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–200] (signed November 27, 2012)

S. 1959—A bill to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Passed House amended, [17JY]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [26JY]
Presented to the President (August 2, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–168] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 1963—A bill to revoke the charters for the Federal National Mortgage Corporation and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation upon resolution of their obligations, to create a new Mortgage Finance Agency for the securitization of single family and multifamily mortgages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [22MY]

S. 1964—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the harbor maintenance tax certain commercial cargo loaded or unloaded at United States ports in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. 1965—A bill to jump-start economic recovery through the formation and growth of new businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [6MR]

S. 1966—A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for enrolling, activating, issuing, and renewing Transportation Worker Identification Credentials so that applicants are not required to visit a designated enrollment center more than once; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [11SE], [13SE]

S. 1967—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the treatment of certain physician pathology services under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 1970—A bill to amend the securities laws to provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [7MR]

S. 1971—A bill to provide for the establishment of a committee to assess the effects of certain Federal regulatory mandates and to provide for relief from those mandates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Cosponsors added, [16FE]

S. 1973—A bill to prevent gun trafficking in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [13MR]

S. 1978—A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for community-based job training grants, to provide Federal assistance for community college modernization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [21JN]

S. 1979—A bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [1FE], [16AP], [21MY], [22MY], [29JN], [30JY]

S. 1980—A bill to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through port State measures; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [15FE], [1MR], [17AP], [21JN]
Reported (no written report), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]

S. 1981—A bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [17FE], [27FE], [15MR], [19MR], [16AP], [2AU], [28NO]

S. 1982—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to develop and test an expanded and advanced role for direct care workers who provide long-term services and supports to older individuals in efforts to coordinate care and improve the efficiency of service delivery; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [2FE]

S. 1983—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [10SE]

S. 1984—A bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [16AP], [8MY]

S. 1989—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and to provide a minimum 4 percent credit rate for existing buildings; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [14FE], [26AP], [9MY], [17MY], [24MY], [5JN], [7JN], [26JN], [11SE]

S. 1990—A bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [31JA], [9FE], [13FE], [27FE], [28FE], [5MR], [13MR], [29MR], [16AP], [23AP], [8MY], [4JN], [19JN], [29JN], [19JY], [26JY], [30JY], [31JY], [1AU]

S. 1993—A bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [8MY], [14MY], [17MY], [24MY], [30JY], [1AU], [2AU], [21SE], [26NO]

S. 1994—A bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [26JN]

S. 1998—A bill to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–230) (submitted November 2, 2012 during adjournment), [13NO]
Passed Senate amended, [28NO]
Passed House, [12DE]
Presented to the President (December 14, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–217] (signed December 20, 2012)

S. 2003—A bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [24JA], [26JA], [31JA], [1FE], [26MR], [16AP], [19AP], [10MY], [15MY], [4JN]

S. 2004—A bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [14FE], [14MR], [17AP], [24AP], [7JN], [29NO]

S. 2005—A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to issue up to 10,500 E-3 visas per year to Irish nationals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [1FE], [27FE]

S. 2006—A bill to amend the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to permit Federal regulation and review of tolls and toll increases on certain surface transportation facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [23JA]

S. 2009—A bill to improve the administration of programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [17JY]
Presented to the President (July 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–149] (signed July 26, 2012)

S. 2010—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [26JA], [30JA], [31JA], [14FE], [15FE], [8MR], [20MR], [22MR], [16AP], [26AP], [14MY], [17MY], [5JN], [30JY]

S. 2013—A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. 2015—A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to the Powell Recreation District in the State of Wyoming; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 2017—A bill to secure the Federal voting rights of persons when released from incarceration; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [10MY]

S. 2018—A bill to amend and reauthorize certain provisions relating to Long Island Sound restoration and stewardship; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
Placed on the calendar, [16JY]

S. 2024—A bill to make technical amendment to the T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
Reported with amendments (no written report), [11DE]
Placed on the calendar, [11DE]

S. 2027—A bill to improve microfinance and microenterprise, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [8MR], [13JN]

S. 2028—A bill to amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, to ensure that transportation and infrastructure projects carried out using Federal financial assistance are constructed with steel, iron, and manufactured goods that are produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Cosponsors added, [13FE]

S. 2030—A bill to provide protection for consumers who have prepaid cards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [24JA], [6JN]

S. 2032—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding proprietary institutions of higher education in order to protect students and taxpayers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. Harkin), [23JA]
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [19MR], [22MY], [19SE]

S. 2033—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to end the costly derivatives blended rate loophole, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23JA]

S. 2034—A bill to impose sanctions with respect to human rights abuses committed against the people of Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [24JA]

S. 2035—A bill to provide support for workforce residential housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. Roberts), [26JA]

S. 2036—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Schumer), [26JA]
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [14MR], [17MY], [7JN], [11JN], [12JN], [20JN], [21JN]
Removal of cosponsors, [26JN]

S. 2037—A bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SANDERS, [26JA]

S. 2038—An original bill to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [26JA]
Reported (no written report), [26JA]
Placed on the calendar, [26JA]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [26JA], [30JA]
Senate invoked cloture, [30JA], [22MR]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]
Considered, [31JA], [1FE], [2FE], [22MR]
Passed Senate amended, [2FE]
Passed House amended, [9FE]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [20MR], [22MR]
Presented to the President (March 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–105] (signed April 4, 2012)
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]

S. 2039—A bill to allow a State or local government to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space lands.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. Conrad), [26JA]
Passed Senate amended, [26JA]
Failed of passage under suspension of the rules, [23JY]

S. 2040—A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to establish a point of order to prohibit an increase or other modification of the public debt limit unless a concurrent resolution on the budget has been agreed to and is in effect; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Thune, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Paul, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Risch, and Mr. Crapo), [26JA]

S. 2041—A bill to approve the Keystone XL pipeline project and provide for environmental protection and government oversight.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Vitter, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Portman, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. McCain, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Thune, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Moran, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Boozman, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Paul, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Lee, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Burr, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Corker, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Graham, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Heller, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [30JA]
Read the first time, [30JA]
Read the second time, [31JA]
Placed on the calendar, [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [5MR]

S. 2042—A bill to reinstate the reporting provision relating to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. TESTER, [30JA]

S. 2043—A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide religious conscience protections for individuals and organizations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. RUBIO, [30JA]
Cosponsors added, [31JA], [1FE], [6FE], [7FE], [9FE], [16FE]

S. 2044—A bill to require the Under Secretary for Science and Technology in the Department of Homeland Security to contract with an independent laboratory to study the health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints operated by the Transportation Security Administration and provide improved notice to airline passengers; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Kyl), [31JA]

S. 2045—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require judges of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to reside within fifty miles of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BURR, [31JA]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [13DE]

S. 2046—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements of the visa waiver program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. Kirk), [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [1FE], [27FE], [29FE], [23AP], [14MY], [13SE], [21SE]

S. 2047—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make demonstration grants to eligible local educational agencies for the purpose of reducing the student-to-school nurse ratio in public elementary schools and secondary schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [15MY], [21MY], [19SE]

S. 2048—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY, [31JA]

S. 2049—A bill to improve the circulation of $1 coins, to remove barrier to the circulation of such coins, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. McCain, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. Enzi), [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [30NO]

S. 2050—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain provisions of the Creating Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [7MY], [27JN]

S. 2051—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Franken, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Sanders, and Ms. Stabenow), [31JA]
Cosponsors added, [14FE], [15FE], [14MR], [20MR], [27MR], [16AP], [17AP], [18AP], [23AP]

S. 2052—A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the legal public holiday for the birthday of George Washington take place on February 22, rather than on the third Monday in February; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WARNER, [31JA]

S. 2053—A bill to encourage transit-oriented development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Warner), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [9FE]

S. 2054—A bill to suspend the current compensation packages for the senior executives at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and to establish compensation for all employees of such entities in accordance with rates of pay for other Federal financial regulatory agencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. Thune, Mr. Tester, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Casey, Mr. McCain, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Burr, Mr. Risch, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Paul, Mr. Coburn, and Mrs. Shaheen), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [7FE]

S. 2055—A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to the protection of certain information; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. Crapo, and Mr. Wicker), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [26JY]

S. 2056—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. Lee), [1FE]

S. 2057—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Crapo), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [19SE]

S. 2058—A bill to close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve the effectiveness of sanctions on Iranian trade in petroleum products; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Heller, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Portman, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Risch, Mr. Hoeven, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Begich, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Menendez, and Mr. Crapo), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [14FE]

S. 2059—A bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Begich, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Reed), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [9FE]

S. 2060—A bill to provide for the payment of a benefit to members eligible for participation in the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of nonparticipation due to Government error; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [1FE]
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [7MY], [6JN], [7JN], [18JN], [19JN]

S. 2061—A bill to provide for an exchange of land between the Department of Homeland Security and the South Carolina State Ports Authority; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. GRAHAM, [1FE]
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
Placed on the calendar, [24MY]
Passed Senate amended, [5JN]
Passed House, [9JY]
Presented to the President (July 12, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–146] (signed July 18, 2012)

S. 2062—A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Lee, Mr. Risch, and Mr. Coburn), [2FE]
Cosponsors added, [9FE], [29MR], [17AP]

S. 2063—A bill to prohibit the transfer of technology developed using funding provided by the United States Government to entities of certain countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. WEBB, [2FE]

S. 2064—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself and Mr. Lee), [2FE]
Read the first time, [2FE]
Read the second time, [6FE]
Placed on the calendar, [6FE]
Cosponsors added, [7FE]

S. 2065—A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to modify the discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the pay freeze for Federal employees; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. KYL (for himself, Mr. McCain, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Ayotte, and Mr. Thune), [2FE]
Cosponsors added, [14FE], [28FE], [29MR], [27JN]

S. 2066—A bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public land and ensure continued opportunities for those activities; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. Manchin), [2FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [6MR], [26MR], [29MR], [17AP], [19AP], [14MY], [21MY], [13JN]

S. 2067—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to medical device regulation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. McCain), [2FE]

S. 2068—A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, and Ms. Murkowski), [2FE]

S. 2069—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to speed American innovation in research and drug development for the leading causes of death that are the most costly chronic conditions for our Nation, to save American families and the Federal and State governments money, and to help family caregivers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Collins, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Warner), [2FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [26AP], [15MY]

S. 2070—A bill to promote the domestic development and deployment of natural gas and clean energy technologies; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [6FE]

S. 2071—A bill to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. Pryor), [6FE]
Cosponsors added, [12MR]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 2072—A bill to discourage disincentives to the housing missions of government sponsored enterprises and require consistent putback risks at the enterprises to assist homeowners; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. Blumenthal), [6FE]
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 2073—A bill to prohibit the permanent relocation of F-16 aircraft assigned to Eielson Air Force Base; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. Begich), [6FE]

S. 2074—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the rehabilitation credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [6FE]
Cosponsors added, [15MY], [12JN], [18JY], [31JY], [14NO]

S. 2075—A bill to close unjustified corporate tax loopholes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. Conrad), [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [5MR]

S. 2076—A bill to improve security at State and local courthouses; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Boozman, and Ms. Klobuchar), [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [13MR], [14MR], [29MR], [18AP], [7MY], [15MY], [22MY], [23MY]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs discharged, [19MR]
Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [19MR]

S. 2077—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Franken, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Casey), [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [14JN], [18JN], [19JN]

S. 2078—A bill to enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of the Nation's home builders, and to provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the Nation's need for new homes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [7FE]
Cosponsors added, [24MY], [10JY], [11JY], [17JY], [26JY], [31JY], [11SE]

S. 2079—A bill to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees.
By Mr. HELLER, [7FE]
Read the first time, [7FE]
Read the second time, [9FE]
Placed on the calendar, [9FE]

S. 2080—A bill to authorize depository institutions, depository institution holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such entities for up to 5 years, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER, [9FE]

S. 2081—A bill to require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended unemployment benefits; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Cochran, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Paul, Mr. Graham, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Risch, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Coburn, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Thune, and Mr. Chambliss), [9FE]

S. 2082—A bill to establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE Center (Clinical Care, Awareness, Research and Education) of Excellence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. Bingaman), [9FE]

S. 2083—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from requiring that taxpayers reconcile amounts with respect to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Ms. Cantwell), [9FE]

S. 2084—A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish accelerated licensing procedures to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. Klobuchar), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 2085—A bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, and Mr. Lee), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [27JN]

S. 2086—A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for a legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mrs. McCASKILL, [9FE]

S. 2087—A bill to clarify the meaning of ''produced'' for purposes of limitations on the procurement by the Department of Defense of specialty metals within the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Casey, and Mrs. Hagan), [9FE]

S. 2088—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently double the amount of start-up expenses entrepreneurs can deduct from their taxes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 2089—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand the authority of the Secretary of the Army to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [9FE]

S. 2090—A bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Tester, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Franken, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [7MR], [21MR]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [24JY]

S. 2091—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the international tax system of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ENZI, [9FE]

S. 2092—A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide conscience protections for individuals and organizations; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. Rubio), [9FE]

S. 2093—A bill to establish pilot programs to encourage the use of shared appreciation mortgage modifications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [23JY]

S. 2094—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to update a program to provide assistance for the planning, design, and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, control, or treat municipal combined sewer overflows and sanitary sewer overflows, and to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to update certain guidance used to develop and determine the financial capability of communities to implement clean water infrastructure programs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [26JY]

S. 2095—A bill to ensure that individuals who are in an authorized job training program or completing work for a degree or certificate remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. FRANKEN, [9FE]

S. 2096—A bill to provide for Federal agencies to develop public access policies relating to research conducted by employees of that agency or from funds administered by that agency; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Wyden, and Mrs. Hutchison), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [24AP]

S. 2097—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of comprehensive cancer care planning under the Medicare Program and to improve the care furnished to individuals diagnosed with cancer by establishing grants programs for provider education, and related research; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [9FE]

S. 2098—A bill to support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [14MR]

S. 2099—A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. Shelby), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [15FE], [16FE], [28FE], [2MR], [26JN]

S. 2100—A bill to suspend sales of petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve until certain conditions are met; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. Hoeven, and Mr. Lugar), [13FE]
Cosponsors added, [15FE], [1MR]

S. 2101—An original bill to strengthen the multilateral sanctions regime with respect to Iran, to expand sanctions relating to the energy sector of Iran, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction by Iran, and human rights abuses in Iran, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, [13FE]
Reported (no written report), [13FE]
Placed on the calendar, [13FE]

S. 2102—A bill to provide the authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats, to improve the sharing of cybersecurity information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. Mikulski), [13FE]

S. 2103—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LEE, [13FE]
Cosponsors added, [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [15MR], [26MR], [29MR], [17AP], [18AP], [23AP], [24AP], [25AP], [10MY], [14MY], [6JN], [14JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]

S. 2104—A bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Inhofe), [14FE]
Cosponsors added, [16FE], [6MR], [28JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]

S. 2105—A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Rockefeller, and Mrs. Feinstein), [14FE]
Read the first time, [14FE]
Read the second time, [15FE]
Placed on the calendar, [15FE]
Cosponsors added, [15FE]

S. 2106—A bill to establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in elementary schools and secondary schools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Begich, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [14FE]

S. 2107—A bill to amend the extension of the temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. DeMint), [14FE]

S. 2108—A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for the establishment of Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Sanders, and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [14FE]

S. 2109—A bill to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Navajo Nation, the Hopi Tribe, and the allottees of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of municipal water projects relating to the water rights claims, to resolve litigation against the United States concerning Colorado River operations affecting the States of California, Arizona, and Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mr. McCain), [14FE]

S. 2110—A bill to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe by authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to convey mineral rights in the State of Montana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. Tester), [15FE]

S. 2111—A bill to enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy and security.
By Mr. LEAHY, [15FE]
Read the first time, [15FE]
Read the second time, [16FE]
Placed on the calendar, [16FE]

S. 2112—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for members of the reserve components, a member or former member of a reserve component who is eligible for retired pay but for age, widows

and widowers of retired members, and dependents; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. Graham, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Manchin, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Leahy, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Ayotte, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Casey, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Grassley), [15FE]
Cosponsors added, [7MR], [15MR], [26MR], [27MR], [29MR], [16AP], [17AP], [19AP], [26AP], [7MY], [22MY], [12JN]

S. 2113—A bill to empower the Food and Drug Administration to ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [15FE]
Cosponsors added, [27MR]

S. 2114—A bill to prohibit the Department of Homeland Security from procuring certain items directly related to the national security unless the items are grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Tester), [15FE]

S. 2115—A bill to limit the authority of the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to certain numeric nutrient criteria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. RUBIO, [16FE]

S. 2116—A bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. Webb, Mr. Harkin, Mrs. Hagan, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mr. Franken), [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [21MY], [11JN]

S. 2117—A bill to increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. Reed, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [16FE]

S. 2118—A bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Burr, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Lee, Mr. Paul, Mr. Coats, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Risch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Moran, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Thune, and Mr. Crapo), [16FE]
Read the first time, [16FE]
Read the second time, [17FE]
Placed on the calendar, [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [10MY], [1AU]

S. 2119—A bill to establish a pilot program to address overweight/obesity among children from birth to age 5 in child care settings and to encourage parental engagement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Carper, Mr. Coons, Mr. Franken, and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [16FE]

S. 2120—A bill to require the lender or servicer of a home mortgage upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [27MR], [18AP], [5JN]

S. 2121—A bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [29FE], [26MR], [29MR], [16AP], [23AP], [24AP], [26AP], [11JN]

S. 2122—A bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. Lee), [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [17FE], [29FE], [15MR], [21MR], [24AP]

S. 2123—A bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care for their children; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Conrad, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Lautenberg), [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [13MR], [8MY], [4JN], [5JN], [2AU], [19SE], [21SE]

S. 2124—A bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources by the Secretary of Health and Human Services through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the dissemination of such materials and resources by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. Lautenberg), [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [13NO], [26NO]

S. 2125—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, to apply accreditation and licensure requirements to suppliers of such devices and items for purposes of payment under the Medicare Program, and to modify the payment rules for such devices and items under such program to account for practitioner qualifications and complexity of care; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Ms. Snowe, and Mr. Grassley), [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [7MR], [9MY], [16JY]

S. 2126—A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to extend and improve the milk income loss contract program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Sanders), [17FE]

S. 2127—A bill to protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CASEY, [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [27FE]

S. 2128—A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to clarify that all veterans programs are exempt from sequestration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. Begich, and Mrs. Shaheen), [17FE]
Cosponsors added, [7MR]

S. 2129—A bill to provide for reforming and consolidating agencies of the Federal Government to improve efficiency and effectiveness; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. Warner), [17FE]

S. 2130—A bill to direct the Secretary of Interior to establish a veterans conservation corps, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida, [17FE]

S. 2131—A bill to reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, the Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. CASEY, [27FE]

S. 2132—An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the extension of highway-related taxes and trust fund expenditures, to provide revenues for highway programs, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [27FE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Placed on the calendar, [27FE]

S. 2133—A bill to reauthorize the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership in the State of Iowa; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HARKIN, [27FE]

S. 2134—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements relating to the retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [27FE]
Cosponsors added, [5MR], [8MR], [12MR], [19MR], [27MR], [29MR], [24AP], [16MY], [17MY], [22MY], [23MY], [5JN], [7JN], [11JN], [20JN], [9JY], [16JY], [19DE]

S. 2135—A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to authorize a national toll-free hotline and website, to develop and disseminate child care consumer education information for parents and to help parents access child care in their community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. Mikulski), [28FE]
Cosponsors added, [19MR]

S. 2136—A bill to increase the maximum amount of leverage permitted under title III of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [28FE]

S. 2137—A bill to prohibit the issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment in the Armed Forces for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. BOXER, [28FE]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [19JY]

S. 2138—A bill to establish a pilot program to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and project delivery efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for authorized civil works flood control and navigation construction projects of the Corps of Engineers; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [29FE]
Cosponsors added, [21MY]

S. 2139—A bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Mr. Webb), [29FE]
Cosponsors added, [1MR], [27MR], [19AP]

S. 2140—A bill to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to modify the period used to calculate certain unemployment rates, to encourage the development of business incubators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mrs. Gillibrand), [29FE]
Cosponsors added, [27MR]

S. 2141—A bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mr. Harkin), [29FE]

S. 2142—A bill to permit employees to request, and to ensure employers consider requests for, flexible work terms and conditions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY, [29FE]
Cosponsors added, [7MR]

S. 2143—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the section 45 credit for renewable electricity production; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW, [29FE]
Cosponsors added, [19MR], [24AP], [7MY], [6JN], [21JN]

S. 2144—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW, [29FE]

S. 2145—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the Secretary of the Treasury to issue prospective guidance clarifying the employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments with respect to such clarifications; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Franken, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Durbin), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR]

S. 2146—A bill to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Franken, Mr. Coons, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [19AP], [14MY]

S. 2147—A bill to provide for research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic Ocean and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH, [1MR]

S. 2148—A bill to amend the Toxic Substance Control Act relating to lead-based paint renovation and remodeling activities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Enzi), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [6MR], [20MR], [27MR], [24AP], [22MY], [7JN], [11JN], [31JY]

S. 2149—A bill to exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Harkin), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [5JN]

S. 2150—A bill to amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources under the Supplemental Security Income Program; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. SNOWE, [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [7MR], [8MR]

S. 2151—A bill to improve information security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Grassley, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Coats, Mr. Burr, and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 2152—A bill to promote United States policy objectives in Syria, including the departure from power of President Bashar Assad and his family, the effective transition to a democratic, free, and secure country, and the promotion of a prosperous future in Syria; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. RUBIO, [2MR]
Committee on Finance discharged, [7MR]
Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [7MR]

S. 2153—A bill to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Thune, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Rockefeller, Ms. Collins, Mr. Casey, Mr. Portman, Mr. Carper, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Graham, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Levin, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Burr, Mrs. McCaskill, and Mr. Heller), [5MR]
Passed Senate, [5MR]

S. 2154—A bill to provide for research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic Ocean and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [5MR]

S. 2155—A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to promote biobased manufacturing; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Coons, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Casey, Mr. Tester, Mr. Carper, Mr. Harkin, and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [5MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR], [26MR]

S. 2156—A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, to set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BEGICH, [6MR]
Cosponsors added, [8MR], [22MY]
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 2157—A bill to ensure that all of Brevard County, Florida, is treated as a HUBZone, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. Rubio), [6MR]

S. 2158—A bill to establish the Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. KOHL, [6MR]

S. 2159—A bill to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [6MR]
Cosponsors added, [14MR], [15MR], [22MR], [27MR], [29MR], [25AP]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [29MR]
Placed on the calendar, [29MR]

S. 2160—A bill to improve the examination of depository institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. Manchin), [6MR]
Cosponsors added, [19MR], [26MR], [29MR], [16AP], [19AP], [7MY], [9MY], [15MY], [22MY], [10SE], [21SE]

S. 2161—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MERKLEY, [6MR]

S. 2162—A bill to provide for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed-upon properties and for the stabilization of affected neighborhoods, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Begich, Mr. Franken, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Akaka), [6MR]
Cosponsors added, [12MR]

S. 2163—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve Medicare benefits for individuals with kidney disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD, [6MR]

S. 2164—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out activities to manage the threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in the State of Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Franken), [6MR]

S. 2165—A bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. Isakson, and Ms. Collins), [6MR]
Cosponsors added, [14MR], [19MR], [21MR], [22MR], [26MR], [27MR], [29MR], [16AP], [17AP], [18AP], [19AP], [23AP], [24AP], [26AP], [7MY], [8MY], [10MY], [14MY], [16MY], [21MY], [22MY], [24MY], [5JN], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN], [12JN], [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [16JY]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
Placed on the calendar, [27JN]
Passed Senate amended, [29JN]
Passed House, [17JY]
Presented to the President (July 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–150] (signed July 27, 2012)

S. 2166—A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize technical assistance to small public water systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Wicker, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Inhofe, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Tester, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Risch, Mr. Moran, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mr. Baucus), [7MR]

S. 2167—A bill to increase the employment of Americans by requiring State workforce agencies to certify that employers are actively recruiting Americans and that Americans are not qualified or available to fill the positions that the employer wants to fill with H-2B nonimmigrants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MERKLEY, [7MR]
Cosponsors added, [6JN]

S. 2168—A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to modify the definition of supervisor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Harkin), [7MR]
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [23MY], [14JN], [18JN], [21JN]

S. 2169—A bill to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself and Mr. Paul), [7MR]
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 2170—A bill to amend the provisions of title 5, United States Code, which are commonly referred to as the ''Hatch Act'' to eliminate the provision preventing certain State and local employees from seeking elective office, clarify the application of certain provisions to the District of Columbia, and modify the penalties which may be imposed for certain violations under subchapter III of chapter 73 of that title; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Lee), [7MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Placed on the calendar, [13SE]
Passed Senate amended, [30NO]
Title amended, [30NO]
Passed House, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–230] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 2171—A bill to enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. Blunt), [7MR]

S. 2172—A bill to remove the limit on the anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Bennet, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Mikulski, and Ms. Murkowski), [7MR]
Cosponsors added, [12MR], [18AP], [24AP], [25JY], [13SE]

S. 2173—A bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Lee, Mr. Paul, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Risch), [7MR]
Read the first time, [7MR]
Read the second time, [8MR]
Placed on the calendar, [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [21JN], [11JY], [17JY], [1AU]

S. 2174—A bill to exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. INHOFE, [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP]

S. 2175—A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 to provide for the trial of covered persons detained in the United States pursuant to the Authorization for Use of Military Force and to repeal the requirement for military custody; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado, [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [9MY]

S. 2176—A bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 to require the President to certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for the development of a repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. McCain, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Chambliss, and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [8MR]

S. 2177—A bill to strengthen the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LUGAR, [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR]

S. 2178—A bill to require the Federal Government to expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. Begich), [8MR]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
Placed on the calendar, [27NO]
Cosponsors added, [5DE]

S. 2179—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Carper, and Mrs. McCaskill), [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR], [14MR], [19MR], [26MR], [16AP], [7MY], [14MY], [17MY], [23MY], [21JN], [28JN]

S. 2180—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for professional school personnel in early childhood education, to expand the deduction for certain expenses of teachers to teachers in early childhood education, and to modify the credit for dependent care services; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [8MR]

S. 2181—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BEGICH, [8MR]

S. 2182—A bill to establish a program to provide child care through public-private partnerships; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BEGICH, [8MR]

S. 2183—A bill to provide funding for the Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. DURBIN, [12MR]

S. 2184—A bill to provide exclusive funding to support fisheries and the communities that rely upon them, to clear unnecessary regulatory burdens and streamline Federal fisheries management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [12MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR]

S. 2185—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to award grants on a competitive basis to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. Thune), [12MR]
Cosponsors added, [19AP]

S. 2186—A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself and Mr. Graham), [12MR]
Read the first time, [12MR]
Read the second time, [13MR]
Placed on the calendar, [13MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR]

S. 2187—A bill to remove the sunset date for amendments to the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. Landrieu), [12MR]
Cosponsors added, [15MR]

S. 2188—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. Manchin, and Mr. Baucus), [13MR]
Cosponsors added, [19MR]

S. 2189—A bill to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal antidiscrimination and antiretaliation claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. Grassley, and Mr. Leahy), [13MR]
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN], [26JN], [28JN], [29JN], [10JY], [31JY], [19SE], [20SE], [13NO], [26NO]

S. 2190—A bill to amend the securities laws to provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, and Ms. Landrieu), [13MR]

S. 2191—A bill to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to prohibit the Attorney General from administering or enforcing certain accessibility regulations relating to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself and Mr. Graham), [14MR]
Read the first time, [14MR]
Read the second time, [15MR]
Placed on the calendar, [15MR]

S. 2192—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. PRYOR, [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [5JN], [19SE]

S. 2193—A bill to require the Food and Drug Administration to include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system, to expedite the implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Bennet, and Mr. Kohl), [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [20MR]

S. 2194—A bill to award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Bingaman), [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MY]

S. 2195—A bill to require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to disclose delinquent tax liability; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [15MR]

S. 2196—A bill to provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lee, and Mr. DeMint), [15MR]

S. 2197—A bill to require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Inouye, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Begich, and Mr. Akaka), [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [29MR]

S. 2198—A bill to implement common sense controls on the taxpayer-funded salaries of government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. Grassley), [15MR]

S. 2199—A bill to spur economic growth and create jobs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEE, [15MR]

S. 2200—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEE, [15MR]

S. 2201—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Heller, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Bennet), [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [21MR], [4JN], [29JN], [23JY]

S. 2202—A bill to provide for the establishment of a private, nonprofit entity to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. INOUYE, [15MR]

S. 2203—A bill to establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Education Cen-

ter in New York, New York, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [19MR]

S. 2204—A bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [19MR]
Read the first time, [19MR]
Read the second time, [20MR]
Placed on the calendar, [20MR]
Cosponsors added, [20MR], [21MR], [26MR], [27MR]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [22MR], [26MR], [27MR]
Senate invoked cloture, [26MR]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [27MR]
Considered, [27MR], [29MR]

S. 2205—A bill to prohibit funding to negotiate a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty that restricts the Second Amendment rights of United States citizens; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. MORAN, [19MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [27MR], [18AP], [24AP], [8MY], [9MY], [10MY], [14MY], [22MY], [24MY], [7JN], [13JN], [27JN], [17JY], [19JY], [25JY]

S. 2206—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary before such individuals receive such assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, and Mr. Harkin), [20MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP]

S. 2207—A bill to require the Office of the Ombudsman of the Transportation Security Administration to appoint passenger advocates at Category X airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by TSA personnel and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Ms. Collins), [20MR]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [4DE]

S. 2208—A bill to amend the Export Apple Act to permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification by the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [20MR]

S. 2209—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Cochran), [20MR]

S. 2210—A bill to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER, [20MR]

S. 2211—A bill to ban the exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [20MR]

S. 2212—A bill to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) title 28, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. Hatch), [20MR]
Cosponsors added, [27NO], [3DE], [11DE], [12DE]

S. 2213—A bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Burr, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Risch, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Graham, Ms. Ayotte, and Mr. Lee), [20MR]
Removal of cosponsors, [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [21MR], [27MR], [29MR], [19JN]

S. 2214—A bill to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. Webb), [20MR]

S. 2215—A bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Coons), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [25JY], [2JA]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 2216—A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. Lugar), [21MR]

S. 2217—A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, and Mr. Harkin), [21MR]

S. 2218—A bill to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Carper, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [21MR]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]
Placed on the calendar, [12JY]

S. 2219—A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Franken, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Merkley, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Levin, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Leahy, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Rockefeller, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Reed, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Durbin, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Coons, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Webb, Mr. Conrad, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Casey, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Lautenberg, Mrs. Feinstein, and Ms. Landrieu), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [26MR], [29MR], [16AP], [25AP], [26AP], [5JN]

S. 2220—A bill for the relief of Momo Krcic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEVIN, [21MR]

S. 2221—A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. Moran, Mr. McCain, Mr. Tester, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Paul, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Lee, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Burr, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Coats, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Graham, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Alexander), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [26MR], [27MR], [29MR]

S. 2222—A bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Franken, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mrs. Feinstein), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [27MR], [29MR], [14MY]

S. 2223—A bill to address the implementation of certain prohibitions under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. Warner, Mr. Toomey, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Corker, and Mr. Carper), [22MR]

S. 2224—A bill to require the President to report to Congress on issues related to Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CORKER (for himself and Mr. Webb), [22MR]
Reported (no written report), [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [8MY]
Passed Senate amended, [9MY]

S. 2225—A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. Harkin), [22MR]

S. 2226—A bill to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other financial assistance under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity carried out outside the United States, including the territories and possessions of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. PAUL, [22MR]
Cosponsors added, [27MR], [17MY]

S. 2227—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Ms. Landrieu), [22MR]

S. 2228—A bill to convey certain Federal land to the city of Yerington, Nevada; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HELLER, [22MR]

S. 2229—A bill to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. Baucus), [22MR]

S. 2230—A bill to reduce the deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Begich, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Reed, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Levin), [22MR]
Read the first time, [22MR]
Read the second time, [26MR]
Placed on the calendar, [26MR]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [27MR], [28MR], [29MR], [16AP]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [18AP]

S. 2231—A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act, to advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities, and for other purposes.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Collins, Mrs.

Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Levin, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Reed, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sanders, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Wyden), [22MR]
Read the first time, [22MR]
Read the second time, [26MR]
Placed on the calendar, [26MR]

S. 2232—A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. Warner), [22MR]
Cosponsors added, [27MR]

S. 2233—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Lee, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Blunt, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Coons), [26MR]
Cosponsors added, [27MR], [29MR], [16AP], [8MY]

S. 2234—A bill to prevent human trafficking in government contracting; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Franken, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Collins, Mr. Lieberman, and Mrs. McCaskill), [26MR]
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [17MY], [7JN], [18JN], [17JY], [10SE], [13SE], [29NO]
Reported with amendments (no written report), [19DE]
Placed on the calendar, [19DE]

S. 2235—A bill to prohibit the establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [26MR]
Cosponsors added, [5JN]

S. 2236—A bill to provide for the expedited development and evaluation of drugs designated as breakthrough drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. Hatch, and Mr. Burr), [26MR]

S. 2237—A bill to provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for an additional year, and for other purposes.
By Mr. REID, [26MR]
Read the first time, [26MR]
Read the second time, [27MR]
Placed on the calendar, [27MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [25AP], [26AP], [9MY], [10JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [11JY]
Senate invoked cloture, [10JY]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [11JY]
Considered, [11JY], [12JY]
Cloture not invoked, [12JY]
Returned to the calendar, [12JY]

S. 2238—A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. PRYOR, [27MR]

S. 2239—A bill to direct the head of each agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Blumenthal, and Ms. Klobuchar), [27MR]
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [22MY], [18JN], [20JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [29JN], [11JY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [29JN]
Placed on the calendar, [29JN]
Passed Senate amended, [29JN]

S. 2240—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Roberts), [27MR]

S. 2241—A bill to ensure that veterans have the information and protections they require to make informed decisions regarding use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Begich, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Coons, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Leahy, and Mr. Whitehouse), [27MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [7MY], [8MY], [16MY], [26JN]

S. 2242—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Heller, Mr. Moran, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Lee, Mr. Paul, Mr. Blunt, Mr. McCain, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Wicker, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Burr, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Toomey, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Risch, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Johanns, Mr. DeMint, and Mr. Coats), [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [24AP], [7JN]

S. 2243—A bill to establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating Medicare beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. Portman), [28MR]

S. 2244—A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist in the identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. Begich), [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [29JN]

S. 2245—A bill to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Heller, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Crapo, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Risch, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Thune, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Coats, Mr. Paul, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Moran, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, and Mr. Cochran), [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [29MR], [10MY], [15MY], [16MY], [31JY]

S. 2246—A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. Begich, and Mr. Rubio), [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [14MY], [10SE]

S. 2247—A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to improve the functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. LEE, [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [14NO], [4DE]

S. 2248—A bill to clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Risch, Mr. Hoeven, and Mr. Lee), [28MR]
Cosponsors added, [23AP]

S. 2249—A bill to provide for the reform of the Senior Executive Service; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA, [28MR]

S. 2250—A bill to prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Heller, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Isakson), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [17MY], [23MY], [12JN], [25JN], [19SE]

S. 2251—A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, Alaska, as the Robert Boochever United States Courthouse; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [29MR]
Reported (no written report), [27DE]
Placed on the calendar, [27DE]

S. 2252—A bill to rebuild the American middle class by creating jobs, investing in our future, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [29MR]

S. 2253—A bill to require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to disclose any financial accounts that are or have been deposited in a country that is a tax haven; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. Franken), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [19JY]

S. 2254—A bill to direct the Attorney General to establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information for the purpose of preventing diversion, fraud, and abuse of controlled substances and other prescription drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. Whitehouse), [29MR]

S. 2255—A bill to amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to add Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as a patriotic and National observance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. Boxer), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [19AP], [24AP], [26AP]

S. 2256—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. Stabenow), [29MR]

S. 2257—A bill to increase access to community behavioral health services for all Americans and to improve Medicaid reimbursement for community behavioral health services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. Reed), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [23MY]

S. 2258—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. Landrieu, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Corker), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [19JN]

S. 2259—A bill to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2012, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Burr, Mr. Begich, Mr. Webb, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Moran, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Sanders), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 2260—A bill to allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN, [29MR]

S. 2261—A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to establish a revenue loss assistance program, repeal the direct payment and ACRE programs, extend commodity programs through 2017, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Hoeven, and Mr. Baucus), [29MR]

S. 2262—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and extend the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome prevention and services program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Inouye, and Mr. Begich), [29MR]

S. 2263—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to establish the National Program for Arts and Technology Act as a Federal program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [29MR]

S. 2264—A bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Blunt, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Crapo, and Mr. Johanns), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [17MY], [6JN], [18JY], [19JY], [30JY]

S. 2265—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to cover screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal cancer screening test under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. INHOFE, [29MR]

S. 2266—A bill to improve sharing of immigration information among Federal, State, and local law enforcement officials, to improve State and local enforcement of immigration laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BURR, [29MR]

S. 2267—A bill to reauthorize the Hudson Valley National Heritage Area; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [29MR]

S. 2268—A bill to ensure that all items offered for sale in any gift shop of the National Park Service or of the National Archives and Records Administration are produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [26JY], [31JY]

S. 2269—A bill to permit voluntary economic activity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PAUL, [29MR]

S. 2270—A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to improve energy programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. Franken, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Conrad), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [18AP]

S. 2271—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the time for making S corporation elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Ms. Snowe, and Mr. Enzi), [29MR]

S. 2272—A bill to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Mount Denali; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 2273—A bill to designate the Talkeetna Ranger Station in Talkeetna, Alaska, as the Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI, [29MR]

S. 2274—A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a nonprofit corporation to be known as the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Ms. Stabenow, and Mr. Conrad), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [17AP]

S. 2275—A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to establish a grant program within the rural broadband program of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [29MR]

S. 2276—A bill to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. Sessions), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [15MY], [23MY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [23MY]
Placed on the calendar, [23MY]

S. 2277—A bill to respond to the extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions resulting from pine beetle infestation, drought, disease, or storm damage by declaring a state of emergency and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to immediately implement hazardous fuels reduction projects in the manner provided in title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. THUNE, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [18AP], [15MY]

S. 2278—A bill to provide for an exemption for community banks to certain escrow requirements under the Truth in Lending Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. VITTER, [29MR]

S. 2279—A bill to amend the R.M.S. Titanic Maritime Memorial Act of 1986 to provide additional protection for the *R.M.S. Titanic* and its wreck site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Isakson), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP]
Reported (no written report), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]

S. 2280—A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require certain creditors to obtain certifications from institutions of higher education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. Harkin), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [24AP], [25AP], [8MY], [4JN]

S. 2281—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to strengthen the ability of the Food and Drug Administration to seek advice from external experts regarding rare diseases, the burden of rare diseases, and the unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [1AU]

S. 2282—A bill to extend the authorization of appropriations to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Vitter, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Ms. Klobuchar), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [24AP], [22MY], [5JN], [7JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 2283—A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [24MY], [17JY], [23JY], [12SE], [20SE]

S. 2284—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide expensing for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [16AP]

S. 2285—A bill to increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [16AP]

S. 2286—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Mr. Blumenthal), [17AP]

S. 2287—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. COONS, [17AP]

S. 2288—A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, and Ms. Murkowski), [17AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [8MY], [23MY], [13SE]

S. 2289—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to pediatric provisions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Roberts), [17AP]

S. 2290—A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, to reimburse States and units of local government for expenses incurred by the States and units of local government in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating water projects under the jurisdiction of the International Boundary and Water Commission; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CORNYN, [17AP]

S. 2291—A bill to provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mrs. Hutchison, and Mr. Heller), [17AP]

S. 2292—A bill to promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness at the Food and Drug Administration for America's patients; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mr. Coburn), [17AP]

S. 2293—A bill to establish a national, toll-free telephone parent helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Merkley), [18AP]
Cosponsors added, [23AP]

S. 2294—A bill to provide for continued conservation efforts in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, increase energy production from animal waste, improve transparency of Federal restoration efforts, and expand agricultural opportunities to participate in State voluntary water quality credit trading programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Webb), [18AP]

S. 2295—A bill to permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings with respect

to such drugs in the same manner that the Food and Drug Administration allows brand names to do so; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Franken, Mr. Coons, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Blumenthal), [18AP]
Cosponsors added, [19AP]

S. 2296—A bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to restrict institutions of higher education from using revenues derived from Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. Harkin), [18AP]
Cosponsors added, [19AP], [23AP], [16MY], [22MY]

S. 2297—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. Kirk, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [18AP]
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 2298—A bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [18AP]

S. 2299—A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of civil relief to members of the uniformed services and to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of such members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Begich, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Rockefeller, and Mr. Akaka), [18AP]
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [15MY]

S. 2300—A bill to allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the Cross State Air Pollution Rule; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. Roberts), [18AP]

S. 2301—A bill to help prevent the occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by providing sufficient information to consumers regarding the health risks associated with the use of such devices; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. Isakson), [19AP]

S. 2302—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEAHY, [19AP]

S. 2303—A bill to require rulemaking by the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. Kirk), [19AP]

S. 2304—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. MIKULSKI, [19AP]

S. 2305—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded hair of Kashmir (cashmere) goats, of yarn count less than 19.35 metric, not put up for retail sale; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2306—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on fine animal hair of Kashmir (cashmere) goats, processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2307—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded cashmere of 19.35 metric yarn count or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2308—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of combed cashmere or yarn of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2309—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, carded or combed; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2310—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on woven fabrics containing 85 percent or more by weight of vicuna hair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2311—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on waste of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2312—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, not processed in any manner beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2313—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on camel hair, processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2314—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on noils of camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2315—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on yarn of carded camel hair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [19AP]

S. 2316—A bill to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at the Cape Cod National Seashore as the ''Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center'', and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [19AP]

S. 2317—A bill to compel the Secretary of the Army to complete the Great Lakes Mississippi River Interbasin Study within 18 months and to focus particular attention on the permanent prevention of the spread of aquatic nuisance species between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basins; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Levin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Franken), [19AP]

S. 2318—A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Coons, Mr. Isakson, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Durbin), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [3DE], [5DE]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]
Passed Senate amended, [19DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 14, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–283) (signed January 14, 2013)

S. 2319—A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to modernize the integrated public alert and warning system of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Carper), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP]

S. 2320—A bill to direct the American Battle Monuments Commission to provide for the ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Republic of the Philippines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Ms. AYOTTE (for herself and Mr. Begich), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [26AP], [7MY], [9MY], [15MY], [21MY], [27JN], [29JN], [10JY], [31JY]

S. 2321—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the programs and activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to Tourette syndrome; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. Akaka), [19AP]

S. 2322—An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [19AP]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Placed on the calendar, [19AP]

S. 2323—An original bill making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Ms. MIKULSKI, [19AP]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
Placed on the calendar, [19AP]

S. 2324—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Neches River in the State of Texas for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic River System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON, [19AP]

S. 2325—A bill to authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Kirk), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [23AP], [25AP], [26AP], [7MY], [8MY], [10MY], [14MY], [15MY], [17MY], [6JN], [20JN], [18JY]

S. 2326—A bill to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the ''Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse''; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. Gillibrand), [19AP]
Reported (no written report), [27DE]
Placed on the calendar, [27DE]

S. 2327—A bill to prohibit direct foreign assistance to the Government of Egypt until the President makes certain certifications related to treatment of nongovernmental organization workers, and for other purposes.
By Mr. PAUL, [19AP]
Read the first time, [19AP]
Read the second time, [23AP]
Placed on the calendar, [23AP]

S. 2328—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on 4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2329—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain direct injection fuel injectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2330—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain hybrid electric vehicle inverters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2331—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on stator/rotor parts; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2332—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain power electronic boxes and static converter composite units; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2333—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain motor generator units; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2334—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on lithium ion electrical storage batteries; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2335—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain high pressure fuel pumps; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2336—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [23AP]

S. 2337—A bill to require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Coburn), [23AP]

S. 2338—A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Cornyn, and Mr. Alexander), [23AP]
Read the first time, [23AP]
Read the second time, [24AP]
Placed on the calendar, [24AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [26AP]

S. 2339—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain clock movements; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [24AP]

S. 2340—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chime melody rod assemblies; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [24AP]

S. 2341—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right-of-way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [24AP]

S. 2342—A bill to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. Johanns), [24AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [8MY], [11JN], [18JN], [25JN], [11JY], [23JY], [25JY]

S. 2343—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes.
By Mr. REID, [24AP]
Placed on the calendar, [24AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [26AP], [7MY], [8MY]
Considered, [26AP], [24MY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [7MY], [8MY], [9MY], [15MY], [16MY]
Failed of passage, [24MY]
Returned to the calendar, [24MY]

S. 2344—A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until December 31, 2012.
By Mr. VITTER, [24AP]
Placed on the calendar, [24AP]
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [8MY], [14MY]
Objection is heard to request for consideration, [15MY]

S. 2345—A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to permit the Government of the District of Columbia to determine the fiscal year period, to make local funds of the District of Columbia for a fiscal year available for use by the District upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to a period of Congressional review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Akaka), [24AP]

S. 2346—A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to modify the definition of the term ''biobased product''; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. Blunt), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [8MY], [11JN], [10SE]

S. 2347—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. Vitter), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [10MY], [15MY], [17MY], [22MY], [25JN], [17JY], [24JY], [25JY], [30JY], [2AU], [11SE], [19SE], [20SE], [27NO], [29NO], [12DE], [18DE]

S. 2348—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyclopentylpropionyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2349—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyanamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2350—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diethylaminoethyl-dextran; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2351—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-Phthalimidopropionaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2352—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cinnamic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2353—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2354—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Oxadiazon; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2355—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on (3-acetoxy-3-cyanopropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2356—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty of Glufosinate-ammonium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2357—A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the tariff rates for carpet cleaners and parts thereof imported into the United States; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2358—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain pasta tools; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2359—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain food processors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2360—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain food choppers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2361—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain coffee makers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2362—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain toasters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2363—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain handheld food blenders; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [25AP]

S. 2364—A bill to extend the availability of low-interest refinancing under the local development business loan program of the Small Business Administration; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. Landrieu, and Mrs. Shaheen), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [7MY], [7JN], [21JN], [26JN], [10SE]

S. 2365—A bill to promote the economic and energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Moran, Mr. Crapo, and Mr. Risch), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [9MY]

S. 2366—A bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.
By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Barrasso, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Coats, and Mr. Isakson), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [8MY], [9MY]

S. 2367—A bill to strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. Crapo), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [14MY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [23MY]
Passed House, [5DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–231] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 2368—A bill to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on midnight rules during a President's final days in office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Thune, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Paul, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Risch, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Coats, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Vitter, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Graham, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Burr, Mr. Heller, Mr. Moran, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Lee, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. McCain, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. Wicker), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [8MY]

S. 2369—A bill to establish the American Innovation Bank, to improve science and technology job training, to authorize grants for curriculum development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [29JN]

S. 2370—A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to make bankruptcy organization more efficient for small business debtors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [26AP]
Reported (no written report), [24MY]
Placed on the calendar, [24MY]

S. 2371—A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. Vitter, Mr. DeMint, and Mr. Lee), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [10MY], [16MY], [21MY], [22MY], [4JN], [5JN], [6JN], [7JN], [18JN], [25JN], [12SE]

S. 2372—A bill to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. Hagan), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [16JY]

S. 2373—A bill to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. VITTER, [26AP]

S. 2374—A bill to amend the Helium Act to ensure the expedient and responsible draw-down of the

Federal Helium Reserve in a manner that protects the interests of private industry, the scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Enzi), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [8MY], [16MY], [21MY], [4JN], [11JN], [12JN], [13JN], [19JN], [26JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY], [16JY], [18JY], [25JY], [2AU], [10SE], [20SE]

S. 2375—An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. KOHL, [26AP]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]

S. 2376—A bill to recognize and clarify the authority of the States to regulate air ambulance medical standards pursuant to their authority over the regulation of health care services within their borders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. Cantwell), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [14JN]

S. 2377—A bill to provide to the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [26AP]

S. 2378—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on vacuum-grade ferroniobium or ferrocolombium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2379—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on manganese flake containing at least 99.5 percent by weight of manganese; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2380—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2381—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing imidacloprid and thiodicarb; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2382—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing methyl 4-(([(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H. 1.2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-amino)sulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2383—A bill to modify and extend the temporary reduction of duty on mixtures of imidacloprid with application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2384—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on mixtures containing Imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its B-cyfluthrin isomer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2385—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Imidacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2386—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Penflufen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [26AP]

S. 2387—A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to acknowledge that the Department is considering or rejecting a civil rights claim not later than 45 days after receipt of the claim and, once considering a claim, to process all civil rights complaints within 270 days; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. PRYOR, [26AP]

S. 2388—A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. Inouye, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Whitehouse), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [10MY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [14NO]
Placed on the calendar, [14NO]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
Passed Senate amended, [20DE]

S. 2389—A bill to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Crapo), [26AP]
Reported (no written report), [13SE]
Placed on the calendar, [13SE]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]

S. 2390—A bill to direct the Attorney General to revise certain rules under titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 relating to accessible means of entry to pools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. GRAHAM, [26AP]

S. 2391—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on bitolylene diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. SHAHEEN, [26AP]

S. 2392—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ginger extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2393—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on celery extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2394—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on capsicum extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2395—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cassia extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2396—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on turmeric extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2397—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on white pepper extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2398—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on black pepper extracted oleoresin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN, [26AP]

S. 2399—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for persons other than men or women, valued at $12/pair or higher, other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [26AP]

S. 2400—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots), valued $12/pair or higher, with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [26AP]

S. 2401—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for women (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear, snowboard boots and golf shoes), with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [26AP]

S. 2402—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear, snowboard boots and golf shoes), with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [26AP]

S. 2403—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sports footwear for persons other than men (other than ski-boots, cross-country ski footwear and snowboard boots), valued $12/pair or higher, with spikes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [26AP]

S. 2404—A bill to authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to First Lieutenant Alonzo H. Cushing for acts of valor during the Civil War; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [26AP]

S. 2405—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [26AP]

S. 2406—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [26AP]

S. 2407—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [26AP]

S. 2408—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lenses for digital cameras with a focal length 55 mm or more but not over 300 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2409—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 10 mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2410—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 70mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2411—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lightweight digital camera lenses measuring approximately 55 mm or more; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2412—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain digital camera lenses not exceeding 765.5 grams in weight; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2413—A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on certain plastic lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2414—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain porcelain lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2415—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain aluminum lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2416—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain brass lamp-holder housings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2417—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain occupancy sensors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2418—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electrical connectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2419—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain time switches; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2420—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain surge protectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2421—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2422—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain adjustable metal lighting fixtures; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2423—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nightlights of plastic; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2424—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures containing n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one, 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt, and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2425—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures containing n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2426—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-toluenesulfonamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2427—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on instant print film for analog photography; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2428—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyflufenamid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2429—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on tebufenozide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2430—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Acetamiprid, whether or not mixed with application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2431—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cis-3-hexen-1-ol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2432—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Helional; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2433—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2434—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2435—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2436—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cyanuric chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2437—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2438—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sorbic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2439—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on potassium sorbate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2440—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on N-propyl gallate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2441—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thiourea dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2442—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 12-hydroxystearic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2443—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sodium ferrocyanide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2444—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain ceramic frit rings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2445—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain metal iodide pellets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2446—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on leather footwear for women with uppers other than of pigskin, valued $35/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2447—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on leather footwear for women with uppers other than of pigskin (other than house slippers, work footwear, tennis shoes, basketball shoes and the like), valued $20/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2448—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on footwear for women (other than house slippers, tennis shoes, basketball shoes, gym shoes, training shoes and the like and other than work footwear), valued $15/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2449—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nonenumerated footwear for women, valued $25/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2450—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nonenumerated footwear with textile uppers for women, other than house slippers, valued $13/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2451—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on footwear other than house slippers, for women, valued $9.00/pair or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2452—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on women's belts of leather or composition leather, each valued $7.00 or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2453—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on necklaces or bracelets, other than necklaces or bracelets containing jadeites or rubies, valued $10 each or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2454—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imitation jewelry earrings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2455—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imitation jewelry necklaces or bracelets, valued $10 each or higher; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2456—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2457—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on anatase titanium dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2458—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on germanium unwrought; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2459—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on germanium oxides; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2460—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on gallium unwrought; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2461—A bill to renew and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain low expansion stoppers, lids, and other closures; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2462—A bill to renew and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain low expansion laboratory glassware; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [26AP]

S. 2463—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fireworks (Class 1 .4G), other than display or special fireworks; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [26AP]

S. 2464—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on display or special fireworks (Class 1.3G); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [26AP]

S. 2465—An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [26AP]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]

S. 2466—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the provision of behavioral health readiness services to certain members of the Selected Reserve of the Armed Forces based on need, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TESTER, [26AP]

S. 2467—A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Mr. McCain) (by request), [26AP]

S. 2468—A bill to establish the Columbine-Hondo Wilderness in the State of New Mexico, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [26AP]

S. 2469—A bill to prohibit an agency or department of the United States from establishing or implementing an internal policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER, [26AP]

S. 2470—A bill to amend title 13, United States Code, to provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population by the Secretary of Commerce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [26AP]

S. 2471—A bill to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. Lee), [26AP]

S. 2472—A bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. Isakson), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [11JY], [26JY], [30JY], [19SE]

S. 2473—A bill to prohibit the establishment of new units of the National Forest System, National Park System, National Wildlife Refuge System, National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, National Trails System, National Wilderness Preservation System, or any other system established by Federal law, or any national conservation or national recreation area without approval of the applicable State legisla-

ture; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Hatch), [26AP]

S. 2474—A bill to improve the health of minority individuals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. Inouye), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [27NO]

S. 2475—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mixtures of N'-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2476—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixture of 1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2477—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain warp knit open-work fabric; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2478—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,8-dicyclohexyl -6-2,10-dimethyl -12 H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]-dioxaphosphocin); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2479—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on o-Chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2480—A bill to suspend tempoarily the duty on 4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2481—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H. 31.-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2482—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2483—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3- [[[dimethyl[3- [2-methyl-1- oxo-2- propenyl) amino] propyl] ammonio] acetyl]amino] propyl] -2- hydroxy- N,N,N',N',N'-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2484—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-toluidine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2485—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic laminate sheets consisting of layers of polyethylene film, polyethylene coextrusion copolymer of low density polyethylene and ethylene acrylic acid, and aluminum foil; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2486—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ethylene-Propylene polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2487—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl-acetonitrile; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2488—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2489—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2490—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2491—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Copper Phthalocyanine Green 7, Crude; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2492—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on sodium thiocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2493—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2494—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on 2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2495—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain clearcoat lacquer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2496—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of zinc dicyanato diamine with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2497—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of polyethylene glycol, C16 C18 fatty acids, and C2 C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2498—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2499—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a mixture of alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-Dodecylphenol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2500—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one(Methylionone); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2501—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of (acetato) pentammine cobalt dinitrate with a polymeric or paraffinic carrier; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2502—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzene, polypropene derivatives; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2503—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-Bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2504—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on D-Galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-Propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2505—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-with 2-aminoethanol and Poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9- octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2506—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on D-Galacto-D-mannan; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2507—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on parts of frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26AP]

S. 2508—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on carbonic dihydrazide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2509—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on programmable controllers certified by the importer as designed for use in agricultural and off-road construction vehicles to control vehicle accessories and auxiliary functions; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2510—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain drive axles designed for use in off-road construction loaders and backhoes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2511—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2512—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Captan; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2513—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fosamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2514—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on orthotoluidine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]

S. 2515—A bill to promote the use of clean cookstoves and fuels to save lives, improve livelihoods, empower women, and combat harmful pollution by creating a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. Durbin), [7MY]
Cosponsors added, [13JN]

S. 2516—An original bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN, [7MY]
Reported (no written report), [7MY]
Placed on the calendar, [7MY]

S. 2517—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with 85% water or methanol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2518—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on aqueous mixtures of polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2519—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on s-Metolachlor; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2520—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on glyoxylic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2521—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mandipropamid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2522—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on onitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2523—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on I-Chloro-2-propanone; to the Committee on Finance
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2524—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on DEMBB; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2525—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mesotrione; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2526—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triflic anhydride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2527—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triflic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2528—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on para-methoxyphenol or hydroquinone monomethylether; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [7MY]

S. 2529—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain truck cabs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [7MY]

S. 2530—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KOHL, [7MY]

S. 2531—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain portable personal area mosquito repellants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KOHL, [7MY]

S. 2532—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Laromer PE 55 F; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [7MY]

S. 2533—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [7MY]

S. 2534—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on specially designed vehicles, not elsewhere specified or indicated; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REID, [7MY]

S. 2535—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on calcium chloride phosphate phosphor activated by manganese and antimony; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2536—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on drinking glasses valued not over $0.30; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REID, [7MY]

S. 2537—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REID, [7MY]

S. 2538—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REID, [7MY]

S. 2539—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Basic Violet 11; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2540—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Basic Violet 11:1; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2541—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphorescent pigment; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2542—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Orange 115, Marigold Orange; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2543—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 131, Fluorescent Yellow M, Mohawk; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2544—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on compound of barium magnesium aluminate phosphor, activated by europium or manganese; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2545—A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2546—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Reactive Red; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2547—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on strontium halophosphate doped with europium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2548—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 195; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2549—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Huron Yellow Dye; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2550—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Invisible Blue Dye; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2551—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Solvent Yellow 160:1, Potomac; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2552—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxide phosphor, activated by europium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2553—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [7MY]

S. 2554—A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Coons, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Kohl, and Ms. Klobuchar), [7MY]
Cosponsors added, [8MY], [9MY], [16MY], [23MY]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [17MY]
Placed on the calendar, [17MY]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]

S. 2555—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain parts and accessories of measuring or checking instruments; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2556—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2557—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on artichokes, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2558—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on artichokes, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2559—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain infant products; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2560—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain bags for toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2561—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain educational toys or devices; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2562—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2563—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain protective cases of molded silicone for toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2564—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2565—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2566—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic stylus pens for use with toys; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2567—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain headphones, AC adapters, and protective cases of molded silicone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2568—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2569—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2570—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2571—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2572—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain wide-range high sensitivity zoom security cameras; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2573—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2574—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain mechanics' work gloves; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2575—A bill to reduce the duty on golf club putter heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2576—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain toric shaped polarized materials; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2577—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain non-toric shaped polarized materials of 80mm or less diameter; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2578—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain non-toric shaped polarized materials of more than 80mm diameter; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2579—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic, certified by the importer as containing over 40 percent by weight of recycled plastics, exceeding 300 mm in length; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2580—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic, certified by the importer as containing over 40 percent by weight of recycled plastics, not to exceed 300 mm in length; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2581—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device book style covers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2582—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device book style covers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2583—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textile device covers and stands; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2584—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic device covers and stands; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2585—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on floor coverings and mats, of over 30% recycled Polyethylene (PE) or Ethylene-Vinyl Acetate (EVA), of the kind used for temporary cushioning for children and adults; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2586—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7MY]

S. 2587—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Carbaryl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. Rockefeller), [7MY]

S. 2588—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-amino-5-cyano-N,3-dimethylbenzamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN, [7MY]

S. 2589—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Picoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN, [7MY]

S. 2590—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on A5546 sulfonamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN, [7MY]

S. 2591—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ultraviolet lamps filled with deuterium gas; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2592—A bill to extend the temporary duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2593—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on trifloxysulfuron-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2594—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Thiamethoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2595—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2596—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Triasulfuron; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2597—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2598—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dichloroacetyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2599—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fenpyroximate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2600—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pyraflufen-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2601—A bill to extend temporarily the suspension of duty on Flutolanil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2602—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Buprofezin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2603—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tolfenpyrad technical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2604—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cyan 854 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2605—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2606—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on black 661 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2607—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on black 820 inkjet printing ink; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. Coons), [7MY]

S. 2608—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2609—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Famoxadone, Cymoxanil, and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2610—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Esfenvalerate technical; to the Committee on Finance. e Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2611—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2612—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2613—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pyrithiobac-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2614—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethyl 2-(Isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2615—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Benzyl carbazate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [7MY]

S. 2616—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pyraflufen-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. Carper), [7MY]

S. 2617—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. Carper), [7MY]

S. 2618—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of difenoconazole and mefenoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. Carper), [7MY]

S. 2619—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. Carper), [7MY]

S. 2620—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an extension of the Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and the increased payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [7MY]

Cosponsors added, [22MY], [23MY], [18JN], [25JN], [28JN], [10JY], [18JY], [19JY], [23JY], [31JY], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [13SE], [19SE], [21SE], [15NO], [27NO], [27DE]

S. 2621—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain rooftop cargo bags; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [7MY]

S. 2622—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-aminopyridine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [7MY]

S. 2623—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, [7MY]

S. 2624—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Avermectin B; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2625—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cyproconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2626—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on clodinafop-propargyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2627—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on fludioxonil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2628—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on formulations of Thiamethoxam, Difenoconazole, Fludioxinil, and Mefenoxam; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2629—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on (R,S)—2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2630—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pymetrozine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2631—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on azoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2632—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cloquintocet-mexyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2633—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Pinoxaden; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [7MY]

S. 2634—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on perfluorocarbon amines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2635—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2636—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2637—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2638—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid); to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2639—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bisphenol A Bis(3-methacryloyloxypropyl) ether substituted dimethacylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2640—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2641—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2642—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain polycrystalline fibers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2643—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2644—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain catalytic converter mats of glass fibers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2645—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain catalytic converter mounting mats; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2646—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ascorbic acid encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2647—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain bicycle brakes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2648—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on bicycle wheel rims; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2649—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on bicycle speedometers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2650—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on wide angle reflectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2651—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2652—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bicycle speedometer parts; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [7MY]

S. 2653—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2654—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2 propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2655—A bill to sextend the temporary suspension of duty on Styrene, ar-ethyl-, polymer with divinylbenzene and styrene beads having low ash content; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2656—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ion exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid crosslinked with divinylbenzene, in the potassium ionic form; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2657—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on macroporous ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2658—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ion exchange resin—Methanamine, N methyl reaction products with chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2659—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2660—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Brine Electrolysis Ion Exchange Apparatus; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2661—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Agilon 400; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2662—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pigments based on titanium dioxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2663—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Violet 23; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2664—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,3-dichloronitrobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2665—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phenyl isocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2666—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten concentrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2667—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Vacuum-Grade Ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2668—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2669—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Metallic Manganese; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2670—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tungsten carbide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2671—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetraxol-5-one; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2672—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2673—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ferroniobium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2674—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-etha edioate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2675—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ancamine 2422 Curing Agent; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2676—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldhyde; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2677—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperdine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2678—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,2,4 Triazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2679—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain rolled glass in sheets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2680—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and tebuconazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2681—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing flupyram and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2682—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Strong Base Anionic Resin-Quaternary amine styrene divinylbenzene copolymer in the chloride form; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2683—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ion exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer, with ethnylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2684—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Disflamoll TOF; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2685—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,5-dimethyl-2, 5-hexanediol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2686—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Preventol ON Extra Preservative; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2687—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethylisopropylamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2688—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on P-Toluidine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2689—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2690—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(methyl methacrylate); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2691—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-Nitrotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2692—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of phenyl esters of C10 C18 alkylsulfonic acids; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2693—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12 and polyamide 6, 12; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2694—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chlorobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2695—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on p-dichlorobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2696—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2697—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl dicarbonate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2698—A bill to extend and modify the temporary duty on 11-aminoundecanoic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2699—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphorous sulfochloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2700—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2701—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Phenmedipham; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2702—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spirodiclofen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2703—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-acetylbutyrolactone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2704—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Fosetyl-Al; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2705—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain smooth nonwoven fiberglass sheets of a type primarily used as acoustical facing for ceiling panels; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2706—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Iminodisuccinate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2707—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Levapren-Levamel; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2708—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fiberglass sheets used in flooring; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2709—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bayderm Bottom DLV-N; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2710—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on thionyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2711—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Di-cup Organic Peroxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2712—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bayowet C4; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2713—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-chlorotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2714—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methanesulfonic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2715—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on chloromethylbenzene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2716—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2717—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on methanesulfonyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2718—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disflamoll DPK; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2719—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and prothioconazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2720—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and trifloxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2721—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures containing fluopyram and pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2722—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on spirotetramat; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2723—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thiacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2724—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on (RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2725—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thidiazuron; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2726—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of cyprosulfamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2727—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on modified aliphatic amine mixtures containing benzyl alcohol, formaldehyde, polymer with 1,3-benezenedimethanamine and phenol, 1,3-benzenedimethanamine, phenol, 4,4-(1-methylethylidene)bis-, polymer with 2-(chloromethyl)oxirane, reaction products with ethylene-diamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2728—A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2729—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on triethylenediamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2730—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on alpha-threo phenyl-2-piperidyl acetamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2731—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain pressure distillation columns; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2732—A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on alpha-phenyl-2-piperdylacetic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2733—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on aqueous emulsion of a modified aliphatic amine mixture of decanedioc acid, compounds with 1,3-ben-zene-dimethanamine-bisphenol A-bisphenol A diglycidyl ether-diethylenetriamine glycidyl phenyl ether reaction product-epichlorohydrinformaldehyde-propylene oxide-triethylenetetramine polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2734—A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on 4-bromobenzyl bromide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2735—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on helium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2736—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2737—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on cast stainless steel single-piece exhaust gas manifolds; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2738—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4 1/4-methylendianiline; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2739—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cerium nitrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2740—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of alkene polymers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2741—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on gadolinium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2742—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lanthanum oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2743—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knitted or crocheted fabrics of a width exceeding 30 cm, containing by weight 5 percent or more of elastomeric yarn but not containing rubber thread; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2744—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2745—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixed xylidines; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2746—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2747—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures or coprecipitates of lanthanum phosphate, cerium-doped lanthanum phosphate, cerium phosphate, and terbium phosphate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2748—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzamine, dodecyl-, branched; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2749—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures or coprecitates of yttrium oxide and europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2750—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2751—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on n-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2752—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on picoxystrobin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2753—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H. 3.-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2754—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4,4 oxydianiline; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2755—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 3,3,4,4 -biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2756—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nitroaniline; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2757—A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on pyromellitic dianhydride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2758—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Aspirin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2759—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2760—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on poly(toluene diisocyanate); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2761—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-ethylhexylamine; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2762—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2763—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol and 2-oxepanone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2764—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Vat Violet 10; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2765—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copoly(dimethyl carbonate/1,6-hexanediol); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2766—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Lambda-Cy; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2767—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2768—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on oxyfluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2769—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on liquid-filled glass bulbs designed for sprinkler systems and other release devices; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2770—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on reaction product of 3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2771—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on captan; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2772—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on oxirane, 2-methyl-, polymer with oxirane, ether with 1,2,3-propanetriol (3:1), polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene and a-hydro-w-hydroxypoly[oxy(methyl-1,2-ethanediyl)] ether with 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol (3:1), caprolactam-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2773—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide, polymer with 5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1 1/4-methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- and polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2774—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N-[methoxy(methylthio) phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2775—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N,N 1/4 N''-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H. 4.,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide]; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2776—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2777—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl sulfanilylcarbamate, sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2778—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on reaction product of 3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2779—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(1,6-diisocyanatohexane-block-polyethylene-block-poly-propylene glycol monobutyl ether); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2780—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cypermethrin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2781—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on water-dispersible polyisocyanate products based on nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-dimethyl-, compounds with 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanatohexane homopolymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2782—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Oryzalin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2783—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2784—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2785—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on zinc dimethyldithiocarbamate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2786—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on 1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2787—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on temporary suspension of duty on thiophanate methyl; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2788—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing triphenylmethane triisocyanate in solvents; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2789—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Preventol O Extra; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [7MY]

S. 2790—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2791—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on stannic oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2792—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-methylimidazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2793—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1:1); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2794—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM Salt); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2795—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on copper peptide (AHK-Cu); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2796—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [7MY]

S. 2797—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on leather basketballs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [7MY]

S. 2798—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on basketballs having an external surface other than leather or rubber; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [7MY]

S. 2799—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on rubber basketballs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [7MY]

S. 2800—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on volleyballs; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Reid, and Mrs. Murray), [7MY]

S. 2801—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 180; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2802—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2803—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on butanamide, N-(2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1 H-benzimidazol-5-yl)-2-[2-(2-methoxyphenyl) diazenyl]-3-oxo; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2804—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain high-performance loudspeakers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2805—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electrical transformers rated at 40VA; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2806—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on fasteners, in clips suitable for use in a mechanical attaching device; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2807—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hand tools designed for securing plastic fasteners; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2808—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf club driver heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2809—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fairway wood heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2810—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf club iron heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2811—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on golf wedge club heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2812—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hybrid golf club heads; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2813—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on yttrium oxides having a purity of at least 99.9 percent; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2814—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain synthetic filament yarns; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2815—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain untwisted filament yarns; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2816—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cellular plastic sheets for micron-retention filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2817—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain plastic fittings of perfluoroalkoxy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2818—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on plastic mesh for filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2819—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on plastic mesh for filters (high flow); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2820—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cellular plastic sheets for nano-retention filters; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2821—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2822—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on p-Aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2823—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 3-amino-4-methylbenzamide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2824—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Blue 7; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2825—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Red 1:1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2826—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Red 1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2827—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on Basic Violet 1; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2828—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2829—A bill to extend the suspension of duty on 5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2830—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on 3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2831—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Red 187; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2832—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 181; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERRY, [7MY]

S. 2833—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on alginic acid, ammonium alginate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS, [7MY]

S. 2834—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [7MY]

S. 2835—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [7MY]

S. 2836—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on sodium alginate; to the Committee on Finance. of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. COLLINS, [7MY]

S. 2837—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on propylene glycol alginates; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS, [7MY]

S. 2838—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on viscose rayon staple fibers having a decitex of less than 5.0; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS, [7MY]

S. 2839—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [8MY]

S. 2840—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COONS, [8MY]

S. 2841—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with antioxidant; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2842—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with acid acceptor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2843—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2844—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2845—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on metal screw type bases designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2846—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2847—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polycrystalline alumina tubes and shaped bodies designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2848—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cermets for ceramic discharge lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2849—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on frit rings composed of dysprosium oxide, dysprosium monosilicate, and mullite; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2850—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ceramic bases designed for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, with metal locking pins to allow passage of an electrical current; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2851—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polycrystalline alumina discharge tubes prefilled with metal halide salts and designated for high intensity discharge (HID) lamps; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2852—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain PCBTF with antistatic; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [8MY]

S. 2853—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Ipconazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2854—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on triacetonamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2855—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Bifenazate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2856—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Butralin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2857—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Paraquat dichloride (1,1 1/4-dimethyl-4,4 1/4-bipyridinium dichloride); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2858—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on paraquat dichloride and inerts; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2859—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (CAS No. 29598 76 3); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2860—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4 1/4-methylene bis(2-chloroaniline); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2861—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,2 1/4-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2862—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Daminozide; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2863—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4 1/4-butylidenebis[3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2864—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,2 1/4-methylenebis[4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2865—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bis(2,3-dibromopropyl ether) of Tetrabromobisphenol A; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2866—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4 1/4-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol]; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2867—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2868—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Phosphoric acid, tris(2-ethylhexyl) ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2869—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on N,NN-Hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenylpropionamide)) (CAS No. 23128 74 7); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2870—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-(4-Tert-butylphenoxy)cyclohexylprop-2-ynyl sulfite (Propargite) (CAS No. 2312 35 8); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2871—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on etridiazole; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PRYOR, [8MY]

S. 2872—A bill to sextend the temporary reduction of duty on certain golf bag bodies; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2873—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2874—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric containing by weight 65 percent or more of micro fiber polyester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2875—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2876—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2877—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2878—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2879—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2880—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2881—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain glass snow globes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2882—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic snow globes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2883—A bill to renew the temporary suspsension of duty on certain footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [8MY]

S. 2884—A bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [8MY]
Cosponsors added, [9MY], [12JN], [28JN], [16JY]

S. 2885—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of the Purple Heart to members of the Armed Forces who are killed or wounded in a terrorist attack perpetrated within the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Boozman), [8MY]
Cosponsors added, [12SE]

S. 2886—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-amino-1,2-propanediol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2887—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Trilon MGDA; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2888—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on Tinopal; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2889—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, in containers holding 3.4 kg or less; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2890—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on pepperoncini, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2891—A bill to extend temporary reduction of duty on pepperoncini, prepared or preserved by vinegar; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2892—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, in immediate containers holding more than 3.4 kg; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2893—A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea between January 1, 1999 and January 22, 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2894—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on butane, 1-chloro; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2895—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2896—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hexane, 1,6-dichloro-; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2897—A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2898—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 2908; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2899—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on HAS; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2900—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on bis-phenol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2901—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 3346; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2902—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cyasorb 1164; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2903—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-ethylhexyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2904—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2905—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on mixtures of Paraquat technical and Emetic PP796; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD, [8MY]

S. 2906—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Propiconazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD, [8MY]

S. 2907—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on difenoconazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD, [8MY]

S. 2908—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cyprodinil; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD, [8MY]

S. 2909—A bill to require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MERKLEY, [8MY]

S. 2910—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fuel injection pumps; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2911—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain pistons for marine propulsion engines; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2912—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fuel injectors; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2913—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plain shaft sputter bearings; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2914—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain forged steel crankshafts; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2915—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEVIN, [8MY]

S. 2916—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2917—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Propiconazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2918—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of Imazalil and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2919—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on 2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2920—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Tralopyril; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2921—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Canagliflozin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2922—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Imazalil in bulk active form as the active ingredient in fungicides for citrus fruit; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2923—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of Propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate and application adjuvants; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2924—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pyrimethanil; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2925—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2926—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2927—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on E-caprolactoneneopentylglycol copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2928—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on helvetolide; to the Committee on Finance. polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2929—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on hirvenal; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2930—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2931—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on damascenone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2932—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Muscenone Delta; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2933—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on N510; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2934—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on certain viscose rayon yarn; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2935—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on certain twisted yarn of viscose rayon; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2936—A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2937—A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on extract of licorice; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2938—A bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on certain licorice extract derivatives; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2939—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on e-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2940—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2941—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on neon, compressed; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2942—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on cerium sulfide pigments; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2943—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on lutetium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2944—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of coprecipitates of yttrium phosphate and cerium phosphate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2945—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of coprecipitates of yttrium oxide and europium oxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2946—A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2947—A bill to provide for the reliquidation of certain entries of polyester fleece sheet sets entered on or after January 29, 2009, and on or before October 27, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2948—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Aspirin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2949—A bill to provide for the liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of digital still image video cameras; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2950—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Methidathion; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2951—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Paclobutrazol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2952—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain power converter panels specifically designed for wind turbine generators; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2953—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain bamboo kitchen devices; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2954—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain bamboo baskets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2955—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of cyhalothrin (cyclopropanecarboxylic acid, 3-(2-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoro-1-propenyl)-2,2-dimethyl-, cyano(3-phenoxyphenyl)methyl ester, [1a(S), 3a(z)]-(+-)-); to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2956—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plastic children's wallets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2957—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain coupon holders; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2958—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain electric wine bottle openers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2959—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain inflatable swimming pools; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2960—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Profenofos; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2961—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain switchgear assemblies and panel boards specifically designed for wind turbine generators; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [8MY]

S. 2962—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Dragasantol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2963—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Cyclogalbanat; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2964—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Citronitile; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2965—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Amberwood F; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2966—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Allyl Hetoate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2967—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Frescolat MGA; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2968—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Frescolat ML; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2969—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Hydrolite 6; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2970—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Menthol-D; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2971—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on neo heliopan hydro; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2972—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Allyl Cyclo Hexyl Propionate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2973—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Allyl Caproate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2974—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 3-Methylylbenzyl Chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2975—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl cinnamate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2976—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Ethyl Salicilate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2977—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2978—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 9, 10-Anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)- (CAS No. 32588 54 8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2979—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,2-propanediol, 3-(diethylamino)-, polymers with 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane, propylene glycol and reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked, acetates (salts); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2980—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4,4' dichlorodiphenylsulfone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2981—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2982—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Neononyl Acetate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2983—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Phenylethyl Isobutyrate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2984—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on trimethyl cyclo hexanol; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2985—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2986—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain magnesium peroxide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2987—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2988—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2989—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2990—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2991—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2992—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2993—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2994—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on diaminodecane; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2995—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on PHBA; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2996—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on thymol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2997—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on majantol; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2998—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on hydrolite 5; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 2999—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on methyl salicylate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3000—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on allyl isosulfocynate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3001—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Agrumex; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3002—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Anisic Aldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3003—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on vinylidene chloride-methyl methacrylate-acrylonitrile copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3004—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on propanoic acid, 3-hydroxy-2-(hydroxymethyl)-2-,methyl polymers with 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexane and reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized, oxidized tetrafluoroethylene, compounds with trimethylamine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3005—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3006—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on vinylidine fluoride-trifluoroethylene copolymer; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3007—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene, oxidized, polymerized, reduced; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3008—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Clothianidin and Bacillus Firmus; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3009—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Mesosulfuron-methyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3010—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3011—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on dimethyl hydrogen phosphite; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3012—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Fenoxaprop, Pyrasulfotole, Bromoxynil Octanoate, Bromoxynil Heptanoate, and Mefenpyr; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3013—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3014—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on sodium hypophosphite monohydrate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3015—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on Clothianidin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3016—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on Triadimefon; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3017—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spiromesifen; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3018—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-chlorobenzyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3019—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on propoxycarbazone-sodium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3020—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Permethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3021—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4-chlorobenzaldehyde; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3022—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on product mixtures containing Fenoxaprop, Pyrasulfotole, Bromoxynil Octanoate, Bromoxynil Heptanoate, and Mefenpyr-diethyl; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3023—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on B-Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3024—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3025—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on B-Cyfluthrin; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3026—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Propoxur; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, [8MY]

S. 3027—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [8MY]

S. 3028—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on D-Mannose; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [8MY]

S. 3029—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [8MY]

S. 3030—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain ion-exchange resins; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [8MY]

S. 3031—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on dimethyl malonate; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [8MY]

S. 3032—A bill to extend temporary suspension of duty on 1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [9MY]

S. 3033—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [9MY]

S. 3034—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Linuron; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3035—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Terbacil; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3036—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3037—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3038—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3039—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3040—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3041—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3042—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain men's footwear whose height from the bottom of the outer sole to the top of the upper does not exceed 8 inches and designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3043—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on certain women's footwear,

covering the ankle, whose height from the bottom of the outer sole to the top of the upper does not exceed 8 inches, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3044—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain suspension system stabilizer bars; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3045—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on certain cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys or devices; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3046—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain injection-molded ABS or PP cases or containers to be used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [9MY]

S. 3047—A bill to encourage responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [9MY]

S. 3048—A bill to provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Harkin), [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [15MY], [21MY]

S. 3049—A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Mr. Boozman), [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [23MY], [12JN], [27JN], [12SE]

S. 3050—A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until June 30, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. VITTER, [9MY]

S. 3051—A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until July 31, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. VITTER, [9MY]

S. 3052—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide veterans, when such veterans electronically file claims for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary, with notice that relevant services may be available to the veterans from veterans service organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [9MY]

S. 3053—A bill to require Regional Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Risch, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Paul, Mr. Moran, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Toomey, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Thune, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Vitter), [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [10MY], [22MY], [6JN]

S. 3054—A bill to provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Schumer), [9MY]

S. 3055—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for women; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3056—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for men; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3057—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for women; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3058—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain leathered footwear for men; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3059—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3060—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3061—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on women's sports bras of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [14NO]

S. 3062—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit tank tops of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [14NO]

S. 3063—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on knit garments of stretch fabric with textile or polymer-based electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information from the electrodes to a compatible monitor; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [14NO]

S. 3064—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3065—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3066—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear with cleats valued at $10/pair or more but not over $13/pair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3067—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear with cleats valued at $6.50/pair or more but not over $10/pair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3068—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3069—A bill to reduce temporarily the duty on certain sports footwear valued over $6.50 but not over $12/pair; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3070—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3071—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3072—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3073—A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to clarify the classification of recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3074—A bill to prohibit employers from compelling or coercing any person to authorize access to a protected computer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Schumer, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Sanders), [9MY]

S. 3075—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [9MY]

S. 3076—A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to require the public disclosure by trusts established under section 524(g) of such title, of quarterly reports that contain detailed information regarding the receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos, and the filing of such reports with the Executive Office for United States Trustees; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. COBURN, [10MY]

S. 3077—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the Pro Football Hall of Fame; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. Manchin), [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [29JN], [21DE], [27DE], [28DE]

S. 3078—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the United States on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. PORTMAN, [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [22MY], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN], [12JN]

S. 3079—A bill to make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Vitter), [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [14MY], [20SE]

S. 3080—A bill to eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SANDERS, [10MY]

S. 3081—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Blumenthal), [10MY]

S. 3082—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the National Veterans Support Network to carry out activities to support and supplement the mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Johanns), [10MY]

S. 3083—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO, [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [15MY], [17MY], [23MY], [24MY], [11SE]

S. 3084—A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BURR, [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN]

S. 3085—A bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Reed, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Franken, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Schumer), [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [5JN], [6JN], [17JY], [30JY]

S. 3086—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3087—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, colored, crimped, with an average decitex of 3.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle between 660,000 and 1,2000,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3088—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on filament tow of rayon; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3089—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring 1.67 to 16.67 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3090—A bill to renew the temporary reduction of duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3091—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on viscose rayon staple fibers having a decitex of less than 5.0; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3092—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on staple fibers of rayon, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, presented in the form of top; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3093—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fiber, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm and a target length of 120 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3094—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fiber, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 89 to 140 mm and a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3095—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers, dyed but not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 100 mm to 135 mm and a target length of 120 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3096—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers, not dyed and not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a cut fiber length of 89 mm to 140 mm and a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3097—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3098—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on mucochloric acid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3099—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4-Chloro-3,5-dinitro- a,a,a-trifluorotoluene; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3100—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on [2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3101—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of 9,10-anthracenedione, 1,8-dihydroxy-4-nitro-5- (phenylamino)- and 3- Pyridinecarbonitrile, 5-[2-(2- cyano-4-nitrophenyl) diazenyl]-2-[[2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethyl]amino]- 4-methyl-6-(phenylamino)- and 3-Pyridinecarbonitrile, 5-[(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl) diazenyl]-6-[[2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethyl]amino]- 4-methyl-2-(phenylamino)- and Acetic acid, cyano-[3-[(6-methoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1-ylidene]-, pentyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3102—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of 2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-[2-[2-methoxy-5-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]]phenyl]di azenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4) and 2,7-Naphtalenedisulfonic acid, 4-amino-5-hydroxy-3,6-bix[2-[4-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl] sulfonyl]]phenyl]diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3103—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixures of chromate(2-), [3-(hydroxy-kO)-4-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-kN2]-1-naphta-enesulfonato(3-)[1-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-5-[2-(4-methyoxyphenyl)diazenyl]phenyl]diazenyl-kN2]-2-naphtalenolato(2-)-kO]-sodium (1:2) and coaltate(1-), bis[2-[2-[5-(aminosulfonyl)-2-(hydroxy-kO)phenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-3-(oxo-kO)-N-phenylbutanamidato(2-)], sodium (1:1) and chromate(1-), bis[3-[4-[5-chloro-2-(hydroxy-lO)phenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-(oxo-kO)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenefulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1:1); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3104—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acid blue 324; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3105—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures-of cobaltate(3-), bis[2-[[[4-(hydroxy-kO)-3-[2-[2-(oxo-kO)-1-[(pheylamino) carbonyl] propyl] diazenyl-kN1] phenyl] sulfonyl] amino] benzoato(3-)]-, ammonium sodium and coaltate(2-), [2-[[[4-(hydroxy-kO)-3- [2-[2-(oxo-kO)-1-[(phenylamino) carbonyl] propyl] diazenyl-kN1] phenyl] sulfonyl] amino] benzoato (3-)][2-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-5-[(phenylamino) sulfony] phenyl] diazenyl-kN1]-3-(oxokO)-N-phenylbutanamidato (2-)]-, ammonium sodium; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3106—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Reactive Black 5; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3107—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain other made up articles; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3108—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3109—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenydiyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3110—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse blue 77; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3111—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1:1); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3112—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3113—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1:2); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3114—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on cobaltate(2-), [6-(amino-kN)-5-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-4-nitrophenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-N-methyl-2-naphthalenesulfonamidato(2-)][6-(amino-kN)-5-[2-[2-(hydroxy-kO)-4-nitrophenyl]diazenyl-kN1]-2-naphthalenesulfonato(3-)]-, sodium (1:2); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3115—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene)-, pentyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3116—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-dia zenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1:4); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3117—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on vat blue 66; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3118—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse yellow 64; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3119—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on disperse red 60; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3120—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring over 1.3 decitex but not over 1.66 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3121—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on modacrylic staple fibers containing 35 percent or more but not over 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm

(plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3122—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on modacrylic staple fibers containing 35 percent or more but not over 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.9 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3123—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not more than 3 percent of water, not dyed or pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.9 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 51 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3124—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not more than 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3125—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers containing at least 85 percent by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 38 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3126—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic staple fibers (polyacrylonitrile staple) containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, not pigmented (ecru), crimped, with an average decitex of 1.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and fiber length of 40 mm (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3127—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 4.1 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3128—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 2.2 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than two meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3129—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic fiber tow containing 85 percent or more by weight of acrylonitrile units and 2 percent or more but not over 3 percent of water, raw white (undyed), crimped, with an average decitex of 3.3 (plus or minus 10 percent) and an aggregate filament measure in the tow bundle from 660,000 to 1,200,000 decitex, with a length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3130—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fluopyram; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3131—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on imdaziflam; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3132—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3133—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fenhexamid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3134—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on fluopicolide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3135—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Fenamidone; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3136—A bill to extend the temporary reduction of duty on Imidacloprid; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3137—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2,4-dichloroaniline; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3138—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on trinexapac-ethyl; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3139—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Cypermethrin; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3140—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, measuring over 1 decitex but not over 1.3 decitex and having a fiber length each measuring 20 mm or more but not over 150 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3141—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostavin 3058; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3142—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostapur SAS; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3143—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents (e.g., saccharin) instead of sugar; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3144—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3145—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Oxyfluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3146—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Acifluorfen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3147—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain eyelash curlers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3148—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on manicure and pedicure sets; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3149—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on nail clippers; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3150—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3151—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3152—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lithium chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3153—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on lithium carbonate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3154—A bill to extend and modify the temporary reduction of duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of 8 sub-bundles crimped together, each containing 24,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3155—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product, each containing 198,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 4.0 to 5.6 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3156—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product each containing 214,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent); to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3157—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product of 250,000 to 350,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 2.4 to 3.7 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3158—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning, with a decitex of 2.4 to 3.7 (plus or minus 10 percent), a fiber shrinkage of from 0 to 22 percent (plus or minus 10 percent), and a cut fiber length of 89 to 140 mm, with a target length of 115 mm; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3159—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on acrylic filament tow imported in the form of bundles of crimped product, each containing 250,000 filaments (plus or minus 10 percent) with an average decitex of 3.3 to 5.6 (plus or minus 10 percent) and length greater than 2 meters; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3160—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Spiromesifen; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3161—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Indaziflam; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3162—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Flubendiamide; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3163—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Sodium monochloroacetate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3164—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Reactive Black 31; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3165—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Yellow 154; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3166—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Pigment Yellow 175; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3167—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 151; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3168—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostanox P-EPQ; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3169—A bill to extend and modify the temporary suspension of duty on preparations based on ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)- N1/4-(4-isodecylphenyl)-; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3170—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Hostavin 3055; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3171—A bill to extend the temporary suspension of duty on Nylostab seed; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3172—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on Ethanoyl chloride; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [10MY]

S. 3173—A bill to allow funds under title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to be used to provide training to school personnel regarding how to recognize child sexual abuse; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. Kyl, Mrs. Hutchison, and Mr. Lautenberg), [14MY]

S. 3174—A bill to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development program; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Mr. KERRY, [14MY]

S. 3175—A bill to amend subchapter III of chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA, [14MY]

S. 3176—A bill to provide that the President must seek congressional approval before engaging members of the United States Armed Forces in military humanitarian operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. Lee), [14MY]

S. 3177—A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER, [15MY]

S. 3178—A bill to amend section 1951 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the Hobbs Act), and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Paul), [15MY]
Cosponsors added, [19JN]

S. 3179—A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses with respect to mortgages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Begich), [15MY]
Cosponsors added, [26JN]

S. 3180—A bill to require the Department of Defense to develop a plan to track and respond to incidents of hazing in the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [15MY]
Cosponsors added, [16MY]

S. 3181—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require a plan to ensure the military leadership of the Armed Forces reflects the diversity of the population of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself and Mr. Cardin), [15MY]

S. 3182—A bill to require a report on implementation of a termination on the ground combat exclusion policy for female members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [15MY]

S. 3183—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [15MY]

S. 3184—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fitness equipment; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [15MY]

S. 3185—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CORNYN, [15MY]

S. 3186—A bill to make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile device; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [15MY]
Cosponsors added, [29JN], [24JY]

S. 3187—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. Enzi), [15MY]
Read the first time, [15MY]
Placed on the calendar, [16MY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [23MY]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [23MY]
Considered, [23MY]
Passed Senate amended, [24MY]
Passed House amended, [20JN]
Senate consideration of House amendment, [21JN]
Senate invoked cloture, [25JN]
Senate agreed to House amendment, [26JN]
Presented to the President (June 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–144] (signed July 9, 2012)

S. 3188—A bill to increase the authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [16MY]
Cosponsors added, [21MY]

S. 3189—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PORTMAN, [16MY]

S. 3190—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to place synthetic drugs in Schedule I; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PORTMAN, [16MY]

S. 3191—A bill to improve provisions of title 23, United States Code relating to the use of HOV facilities; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Alexander), [16MY]

S. 3192—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act by establishing an F-4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing an advanced degree in mathematics, engineering, technology, or the physical sciences in the United States, to authorize such aliens to become permanent residents if they obtain employment in the United States related to their field of study, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Lugar, and Mr. Isakson), [16MY]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 3193—A bill to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. Akaka, and Mrs. Boxer), [16MY]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–207), [28AU]
Placed on the calendar, [28AU]
Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
Passed House, [17DE]
Presented to the President (December 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–232] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 3194—A bill to require the establishment of a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [16MY]

S. 3195—A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fishing reels; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. INHOFE, [16MY]

S. 3196—A bill to establish the National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. Landrieu), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 3197—A bill to reauthorize the women's business center program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. Landrieu), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 3198—A bill to amend the Small Business Act to improve the entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [17MY]

S. 3199—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Coons, Mr. Heller, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Lee, Mr. Manchin, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Rubio, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Ayotte, and Mr. Risch), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [21MY], [5JN], [26JN], [10JY], [11SE], [3DE]

S. 3200—A bill to require the Small Business Administration to submit a regular National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [17MY]

S. 3201—A bill to reform graduate medical education payments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. Kyl), [17MY]

S. 3202—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Burr, Mr. Nelson of Florida, and Mr. Rubio), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [13JN], [27JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [19DE]
Passed House, [30DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [1JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–260] (January 10, 2013)

S. 3203—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit increases in the certain costs of health care services under the health care programs of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. Rubio), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY], [4JN], [6JN], [7JN], [28JN], [17JY], [24JY]

S. 3204—A bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. Warner, Mr. Corker, and Mr. Tester), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY], [4JN], [5JN], [7JN], [11JN], [12JN], [13JN], [18JN], [20JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [10JY], [11JY], [12JY], [16JY], [17JY], [18JY], [25JY], [26JY], [30JY], [31JY], [1AU], [2AU], [11SE], [13SE]

S. 3205—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that persons renouncing citizenship for a substantial tax avoidance purpose shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains, to provide that such persons shall not be admissible to the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Casey, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Harkin), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [23MY]

S. 3206—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay a monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team and the authorization of appropriations for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide assistance to United States Paralympics, Inc., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. Begich), [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [26JN]

S. 3207—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [21MY]

S. 3208—A bill to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Snowe, and Mr. Whitehouse), [21MY]
Cosponsors added, [11SE], [11DE]

S. 3209—A bill to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER, [21MY]

S. 3210—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the treatment under contracting goals and preferences of the Department of Veterans Affairs for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. Burr), [21MY]
Cosponsors added, [22MY]

S. 3211—A bill to authorize the President to determine the appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on the national security and foreign policy objectives of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. BENNET, [21MY]

S. 3212—A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promulgate regulations regarding the authorship, content, format, and dissemination of Patient Medication Information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about their prescription medications and are aware of the potential risks and benefits of prescription medications; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [22MY]

S. 3213—A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. Landrieu), [22MY]

S. 3214—A bill to strengthen entrepreneurial education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Harkin), [22MY]

S. 3215—An original bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, [22MY]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
Placed on the calendar, [22MY]

S. 3216—An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [22MY]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Placed on the calendar, [22MY]

S. 3217—A bill to jump-start the economic recovery through the formation and growth of new businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. Warner, Mr. Coons, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Blunt), [22MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY]

S. 3218—A bill to improve the coordination of export promotion programs and to facilitate export opportunities for small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. Ayotte), [22MY]

S. 3219—A bill to restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal reserve banks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Begich), [22MY]

S. 3220—A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Blumenthal, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Levin, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Merkley, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reed, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Bennet, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Franken, Mr. Coons, Mr. Lautenberg, Ms. Cantwell, and Mr. Inouye), [22MY]
Read the first time, [22MY]
Read the second time, [23MY]
Placed on the calendar, [23MY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [24MY], [4JN], [5JN]
Cosponsors added, [4JN], [5JN], [6JN]

S. 3221—A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. Enzi, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Risch, Mr. Thune, Mr. Lee, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Coburn), [22MY]
Read the first time, [22MY]
Read the second time, [23MY]
Placed on the calendar, [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [23MY], [4JN], [5JN], [6JN], [7JN], [18JN], [25JN]

S. 3222—A bill to establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [22MY]

S. 3223—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the reduction in the recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Roberts, and Ms. Snowe), [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN]

S. 3224—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW, [23MY]

S. 3225—A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [4JN], [14JN], [19JN]

S. 3226—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an income tax credit for eldercare expenses; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. Mikulski), [23MY]

S. 3227—A bill to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. Blunt), [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [16JY], [19SE], [14NO], [26NO], [3DE], [13DE]

S. 3228—A bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. Sessions, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Coats, Mr. Inhofe, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Vitter, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Graham, Mr. Burr, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Risch, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Paul, Mr. Moran, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Hatch, and Mr. Enzi), [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY], [11JN], [13JN]

S. 3229—A bill to develop a model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Kohl), [23MY]

S. 3230—A bill to require issuers of long term care insurance to establish third-party review processes for disputed claims; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [23MY]

S. 3231—A bill to provide for the issuance and sale of a semipostal by the United States Postal Service to support effective programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Grassley, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Cochran), [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN], [21SE], [12DE]

S. 3232—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project program; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [23MY]

S. 3233—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [23MY]
Cosponsors added, [20JN]

S. 3234—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the time period for contributing

military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Tester), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [21JN]

S. 3235—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require, as a condition on the receipt by a State of certain funds for veterans employment and training, that the State ensures that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. Johanns), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [13JN], [14JN], [18JN], [20JN], [10SE]

S. 3236—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. PRYOR, [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [5JN], [11JN], [18JN], [20JN], [10JY], [31JY]

S. 3237—A bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Heller, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Grassley), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [7JN], [13JN], [18JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [10JY], [12JY], [24JY], [1AU], [11SE], [20SE], [15NO], [12DE]

S. 3238—A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community based outpatient clinic in Mansfield, Ohio, as the David F. Winder Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Portman), [24MY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [29JN]

S. 3239—A bill to provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [4JN], [5JN], [6JN], [11JN], [11JY], [24JY], [26JY], [19SE]

S. 3240—An original bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Ms. STABENOW, [24MY]
Reported (no written report), [24MY]
Placed on the calendar, [24MY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [5JN], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN]
Considered, [12JN], [13JN], [19JN], [20JN]
Passed Senate amended, [21JN]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–203), [28AU]

S. 3241—An original bill making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. LEAHY, [24MY]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Placed on the calendar, [24MY]

S. 3242—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare beneficiaries coordinated care and greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [21JN]

S. 3243—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged in 2011 by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Leahy, and Mr. Sanders), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [1AU], [10SE], [13NO]

S. 3244—A bill to amend the Higher Education Opportunity Act to add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make such form mandatory; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Schumer, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Cardin), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [24JY], [25JY], [13SE], [27NO]

S. 3245—A bill to permanently reauthorize the EB 5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J 1 Visa Waiver Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [28JN], [2AU]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [2AU]
Passed House, [13SE]
Presented to the President (September 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–176] (signed September 28, 2012)

S. 3246—A bill to improve the Service Corps of Retired Executives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE, [24MY]

S. 3247—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. ISAKSON, [24MY]

S. 3248—A bill to designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Thune, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Moran, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Johanns, and Mr. Whitehouse), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [7JN], [14JN], [23JY], [13SE]

S. 3249—A bill to require a report on the designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. Chambliss, and Mr. Risch), [24MY]

S. 3250—A bill to amend the DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000 to provide for Debbie Smith grants for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and to establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Franken, and Ms. Collins), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [21SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [30DE]
Passed House amended, [2JA]
Title amended, [2JA]

S. 3251—A bill to amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to Mille Lacs Lake, Minnesota, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Franken), [24MY]

S. 3252—A bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence, good sportsmanship, and philanthropy; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Hoeven, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Begich, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Risch, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Lee, Mr. Coons, Mr. Graham, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Carper), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN], [12JY], [18JY], [13SE]

S. 3253—A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [24MY]

S. 3254—An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. LEVIN, [4JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–173), [4JN]
Placed on the calendar, [4JN]
Objection is heard to request for consideration, [21SE]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [13NO], [14NO], [26NO], [27NO], [28NO]
Considered, [15NO], [28NO], [29NO], [30NO], [3DE]
Senate agreed to motion to proceed to consideration, [28NO]
Passed Senate amended, [4DE]
Senate inserted in H.R. 4310 as an amendment (in nature of a substitute), [4DE]

S. 3255—A bill for the relief of Miguel Santillan; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEVIN, [4JN]

S. 3256—A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to improve nonretaliation provisions relating to equal pay requirements; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HELLER, [4JN]

S. 3257—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions, and to provide for the return of previously distributed funds for deficit reduction; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. Udall of Colorado, and Mr. Burr), [4JN]
Cosponsors added, [5JN], [6JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20SE]

S. 3258—A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to clarify the maximum distance between Farm Service Agency county offices for purposes of the closure or relocation of a county office for the Farm Service Agency; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mrs. McCASKILL, [4JN]

S. 3259—A bill for the relief of Dr. Shakeel Afridi; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PAUL, [4JN]

S. 3260—A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. PAUL, [4JN]

S. 3261—A bill to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. Bingaman), [4JN]
Cosponsors added, [6JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [7JN]
Passed House, [8JN]
Presented to the President (June 12, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–132] (signed June 13, 2012)

S. 3262—A bill to amend the Whaling Convention Act to require the Secretary of Commerce to authorize aboriginal subsistence whaling as permitted by the regulations of the International Whaling Commission and to set aboriginal subsistence catch limits for bowhead whales in the event the Commission fails to adopt such limits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [5JN]

S. 3263—A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [5JN]
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [18JN], [25JN], [16JY]

S. 3264—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Ms. Landrieu), [5JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Placed on the calendar, [16JY]

S. 3265—A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to remove the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI, [5JN]

S. 3266—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to reset interest rates for new student loans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. Burr), [6JN]

S. 3267—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Menendez), [6JN]
Cosponsors added, [10JY]

S. 3268—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide rights for pilots, and for other purposes.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. Begich), [6JN]
Read the first time, [6JN]
Read the second time, [7JN]
Placed on the calendar, [7JN]

S. 3269—A bill to provide that no United States assistance may be provided to Pakistan until Dr. Shakil Afridi is freed.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Lee, Mr. Coburn, Mrs. Hutchison, and Mr. Risch), [6JN]
Read the first time, [6JN]
Read the second time, [7JN]
Placed on the calendar, [7JN]
Cosponsors added, [12JN], [24JY], [12SE]

S. 3270—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to consider the resources of individuals applying for pension that were recently disposed of by the individuals for less than fair market value when determining the eligibility of such individuals for such pension, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. Burr), [6JN]
Cosponsors added, [7JN], [14JN], [21JN], [26JN]

S. 3271—A bill to provide all Medicare beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a Medicare supplemental policy; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [7JN]

S. 3272—A bill to improve access to oral health care for vulnerable and underserved populations; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. SANDERS, [7JN]

S. 3273—A bill to establish a youth summer employment program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [7JN]

S. 3274—A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, in coordination with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, to produce a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the United States in attracting foreign direct investment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Corker, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Sessions, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [7JN]
Cosponsors added, [11JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [3DE]

S. 3275—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Moran, Mr. Tester, Mr. Franken, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mrs. Shaheen), [7JN]
Cosponsors added, [13NO], [12DE]

S. 3276—An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes; from the Select Committee on Intelligence.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [7JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
Placed on the calendar, [7JN]
Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [29JN]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]

S. 3277—A bill to encourage exporting by small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mrs. Shaheen), [7JN]

S. 3278—A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to provide and improve housing in rural areas for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BEGICH, [7JN]

S. 3279—A bill to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. Hutchison), [7JN]

S. 3280—A bill to preserve the companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Portman, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Chambliss, and Mr. Burr), [7JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [26JN], [10JY], [19JY], [19DE]

S. 3281—A bill to terminate the Federal authorization of the National Veterans Business Development Corporation; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Coburn), [7JN]

S. 3282—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reauthorize the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. Begich), [11JN]

S. 3283—A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [11JN]

S. 3284—A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to provide for the inclusion of areas off the coast of South Carolina in the outer Continental Shelf leasing program for fiscal years 2012 through 2017, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. GRAHAM, [11JN]

S. 3285—A bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Thune, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. McCain), [12JN]

S. 3286—A bill to enhance security, increase accountability, and improve the contracting of the Federal Government for overseas contingency operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Mr. Webb, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Collins, Mr. Franken, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Sanders), [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [12JY]

S. 3287—A bill to protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of the unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PAUL, [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [18JN], [29JN]

S. 3288—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. Johnson of South Dakota), [13JN]

S. 3289—A bill to expand the Medicaid home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals who are in need of services that would otherwise be required to be provided through a psychiatric residential treatment facility, and to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [13JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [21JN], [19SE], [20SE]

S. 3290—A bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or gender, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. DeMint, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Lee, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Risch, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Inhofe, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Coats, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Graham, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Thune, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Crapo, and Mr. McConnell), [13JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [20JN], [28JN], [16JY], [23JY]

S. 3291—A bill to prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [13JN]
Cosponsors added, [11JY]

S. 3292—A bill to require the United States International Trade Commission to recommend temporary duty suspensions and reductions to Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Coats, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. McCain), [13JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN]

S. 3293—A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Cochran), [14JN]

S. 3294—A bill to dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [14JN]

S. 3295—An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. HARKIN, [14JN]

Reported (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Placed on the calendar, [14JN]

S. 3296—A bill to provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. TESTER, [14JN]

S. 3297—A bill to amend the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to minimize the adverse effects of employment dislocation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Kerry), [14JN]

S. 3298—A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to establish the Federal Oil Spill Research Committee, and to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to include in a response plan certain planned and demonstrated investments in research relating to discharges of oil and to modify the dates by which a response plan must be updated; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [14JN]

S. 3299—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. Begich), [14JN]

S. 3300—A bill to establish the Manhattan Project National Historical Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Los Alamos, New Mexico, and Hanford, Washington, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mrs. Murray), [14JN]

S. 3301—An original bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. DURBIN, [14JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
Placed on the calendar, [14JN]

S. 3302—A bill to establish an air travelers' bill of rights, to implement those rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. PAUL, [14JN]
Cosponsors added, [10JY]

S. 3303—A bill to require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. PAUL, [14JN]

S. 3304—A bill to redesignate the Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters located at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. in Washington, D.C., as the ''William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building'', to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the ''George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building'', and to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington D.C., as the ''Eliot Ness ATF Building'', and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. BOXER, [18JN]
Reported (no written report), [10JY]
Placed on the calendar, [10JY]

S. 3305—A bill to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled ''An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. Lee), [18JN]

S. 3306—A bill to establish a United States Boxing Commission to administer the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. Reid), [18JN]

S. 3307—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the credit for increasing research activities, to increase such credit for amounts paid or incurred for qualified research occurring in the United States, and to increase the domestic production activities deduction for the manufacture of property substantially all of the research and development of which occurred in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Casey), [18JN]

S. 3308—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER, [18JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [25JN], [26JN], [28JN], [10JY]

S. 3309—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [18JN]
Cosponsors added, [9JY]

S. 3310—A bill to direct the President, in consultation with the Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of Defense, to establish guidelines for United States foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LUGAR, [19JN]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]
Reported with amendment and title amendment (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]

S. 3311—A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 2601 2nd Avenue North, Billings, Montana, as the ''James F. Battin United States Courthouse''; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [19JN]
Reported (no written report), [10JY]
Placed on the calendar, [10JY]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Passed House, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–233] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 3312—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the system of public financing for Presidential elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado, [19JN]

S. 3313—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, to improve health care furnished by the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. Tester), [19JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [26JN], [25JY]
Reported with amendment and title amendment (no written report), [13DE]
Placed on the calendar, [13DE]
Passed Senate amended, [13DE]

S. 3314—A bill to specifically authorize certain funds for an intelligence or intelligence-related activity and for other purposes.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. Chambliss), [19JN]
Passed Senate, [19JN]

S. 3315—A bill to repeal or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CARPER (for himself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Lieberman), [20JN]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–219), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
Passed House, [13DE]
Presented to the President (December 17, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–234] (signed December 28, 2012)

S. 3316—A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to carry out a pilot program on providing veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. Burr), [20JN]

S. 3317—A bill to restore the effective use of group actions for claims arising under title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, section 1977 of the Revised Statutes, and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Coons, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Udall of Colorado, and Mr. Lautenberg), [20JN]
Cosponsors added, [9JY]

S. 3318—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill to give a false impression of approval or endorsement by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Begich, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mrs. Hagan), [20JN]
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [10JY], [17JY], [2AU]

S. 3319—A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to revise the route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota to include existing hiking trails along the north shore of Lake Superior, in the Superior National Forest, and in the Chippewa National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR, [20JN]
Cosponsors added, [12JY], [17JY]

S. 3320—A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive the 30-day waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [20JN]
Cosponsors added, [27JN], [28JN]

S. 3321—A bill to promote permanent families for children, privacy and safety for unwed mothers, responsible fatherhood, and security for adoptive parents by establishing a National Responsible Father Registry and encouraging States to enter into agreements to contribute the information contained in the State's Responsible Father Registry to the National Responsible Father Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. Inhofe), [20JN]

S. 3322—A bill to strengthen enforcement and clarify certain provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, and chapter 43 of title 38, United States Code, and to reconcile, restore, clarify, and conform similar provisions in other related civil rights statutes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Coons, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Franken), [20JN]

Cosponsors added, [21JN], [25JN]

S. 3323—A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to improve the protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. Cardin), [20JN]
Cosponsors added, [12JY]

S. 3324—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award grants to nonprofit organizations for the construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. Burr), [20JN]

S. 3325—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at 10 institutions of higher education to improve student mental health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BEGICH, [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [23JY], [2AU], [19SE]

S. 3326—A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Coons, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, and Mr. Thune), [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [10JY], [12JY], [26JY]
Reported (no written report), [18JY]
Placed on the calendar, [18JY]
Passed Senate amended, [2AU]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

S. 3327—A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to take action to obtain the full compliance of the Russian Federation with its commitments under the protocol on the accession of the Russian Federation to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Schumer, and Ms. Stabenow), [21JN]

S. 3328—A bill to provide grants for juvenile mentoring; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Sanders, and Mr. Carper), [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [25JN], [26JN]

S. 3329—A bill to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [21JN]

S. 3330—A bill to authorize the establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. Begich), [21JN]

S. 3331—A bill to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Inhofe), [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
Placed on the calendar, [13NO]
Passed Senate amended, [5DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–276] (signed January 14, 2013)

S. 3332—A bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Inouye, Mrs. McCaskill, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Rockefeller, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Wicker), [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JY], [2AU]

S. 3333—A bill to require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice to such individuals in the case of a breach of security involving such information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Heller), [21JN]
Cosponsors added, [11JY]

S. 3334—A bill to protect homes, small businesses, and other private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. Paul), [21JN]

S. 3335—A bill to ensure the effective administration of criminal justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY, [21JN]

S. 3336—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project lease for a Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, Hawaii, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [21JN]

S. 3337—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the elimination of the Medicare sustainable growth rate (SGR) formula to ensure access to physicians' services for Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. PAUL, [25JN]

S. 3338—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. Enzi, and Mr. Harkin), [25JN]
Cosponsors added, [1AU], [20SE], [13NO], [15NO], [21DE]

S. 3339—A bill to allow certain Indonesian citizens to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [25JN]

S. 3340—A bill to improve and enhance the programs and activities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding suicide prevention and resilience and behavioral health disorders for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mrs. MURRAY, [25JN]
Cosponsors added, [26JN], [27JN], [18JY], [19JY], [30JY], [11SE]

S. 3341—A bill to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Cardin), [26JN]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]

S. 3342—A bill to improve information security, and for other purposes.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Grassley, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Coats, Mr. Burr, and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [27JN]
Read the first time, [27JN]
Read the second time, [28JN]
Placed on the calendar, [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3343—A bill to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet the applicable ANSI/UL standard by treating that standard as a consumer product safety rule, to encourage States to require the installation of such detectors in homes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [27JN]
Cosponsors added, [15NO]

S. 3344—A bill to increase immunization rates; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Blumenthal), [27JN]
Cosponsors added, [30JY]

S. 3345—A bill to provide for research and education to improve screening, detection and diagnosis of prostate cancer; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. Kerry), [27JN]

S. 3346—A bill to provide for certain land conveyances in the State of Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. Heller), [27JN]

S. 3347—A bill to require reports on countries with which the United States negotiates trade agreements, to establish terms for future trade agreements, and to enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [27JN]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 3348—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the multifamily transitional housing loan program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. DURBIN, [27JN]

S. 3349—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, and the United States Housing Act of 1937 to enhance and expand the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Housing and Urban Development to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED, [27JN]

S. 3350—A bill to make improvements to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. Blumenthal), [27JN]

S. 3351—A bill to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act with respect to the privacy of protected health information; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. FRANKEN, [27JN]

S. 3352—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend certain energy-related tax provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Ms. Snowe, and Mrs. Feinstein), [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [23JY]

S. 3353—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BURR, [28JN]

S. 3354—A bill to authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. CASEY, [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [30JY], [11SE]

S. 3355—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide taxpayer protection and assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Menendez, and Mr. Durbin), [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [9JY]

S. 3356—A bill to strengthen the role of the United States in the international community of nations in conserving natural resources to further global prosperity and security; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Whitehouse, and Ms. Snowe), [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JY]

S. 3357—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, New Mexico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. Bingaman), [28JN]

S. 3358—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide social services agencies with the resources to provide services to meet the unique needs of the Holocaust survivors to age in place with dignity, comfort, security, and quality of life; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Kirk, and Ms. Mikulski), [28JN]

S. 3359—A bill to end the practice of including more than one subject in a single bill by requiring that each bill enacted by Congress be limited to only one subject, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. PAUL, [28JN]

S. 3360—A bill to preserve the constitutional authority of Congress and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. PAUL, [28JN]

S. 3361—A bill to end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power which was exclusively vested in the Senate and House of Representatives by article I, section 1 of the Constitution of the United States, and to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to issue a report to Congress detailing the extent of the problem of unconstitutional delegation to the end that such delegations can be phased out, thereby restoring the constitutional principle of separation of power set forth in the first sections of the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PAUL, [28JN]

S. 3362—A bill to reauthorize the National Dam Safety Program Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Crapo), [29JN]

S. 3363—A bill to provide for the use of National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin surcharges, and for other purposes.
By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. Reed), [29JN]
Passed Senate, [29JN]
Passed House, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–169] (signed August 10, 2012)

S. 3364—A bill to provide an incentive for businesses to bring jobs back to America.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [9JY]
Read the first time, [9JY]
Read the second time, [10JY]
Placed on the calendar, [10JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]
Cosponsors added, [11JY], [16JY], [18JY]

S. 3365—A bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to State courts to develop and implement State court interpreter programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KOHL, [10JY]
Cosponsors added, [17JY]

S. 3366—A bill to designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Burr, Mr. Warner, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Udall of Colorado, and Mr. Blunt), [10JY]
Cosponsors added, [16JY], [19JY]

S. 3367—A bill to deter the disclosure to the public of evidence or information on United States covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.
By Mr. BURR, [10JY]

S. 3368—A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act to prohibit the provision of funds made available to carry out that Act in any State that allows income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. ROBERTS, [10JY]

S. 3369—A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Franken, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Merkley, Mrs. Shaheen, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [10JY]
Read the first time, [10JY]
Read the second time, [11JY]
Placed on the calendar, [11JY]
Cosponsors added, [11JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration withdrawn, [17JY]

S. 3370—A bill to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, [11JY]
Reported (no written report), [1AU]
Placed on the calendar, [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3371—A bill to establish, within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [11JY]

S. 3372—A bill to amend section 704 of title 18, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. Conrad), [11JY]
Cosponsors added, [12JY], [16JY], [17JY], [23JY]

S. 3373—A bill to require the Attorney General to issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI, [11JY]

S. 3374—A bill to amend the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978 to establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [11JY]

S. 3375—A bill to designate the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area in the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. BOXER, [11JY]

S. 3376—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prevent the abuse of dextromethorphan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [11JY]
Cosponsors added, [16JY]

S. 3377—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [12JY]

S. 3378—A bill to establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 3379—A bill to standardize the definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of laws administered by the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself and Mr. Enzi), [12JY]

S. 3380—A bill to provide for the issuance of a Victory for Veterans stamp, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Begich, Mr. Isakson, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Tester), [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [16JY]

S. 3381—A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Franken, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 3382—A bill to impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Lee, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Coburn), [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3383—A bill to reject the final 5-year Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program for fiscal years 2012 through 2017 of the Administration and replace the plan with a 5-year plan that is more in line with the energy and economic needs of the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. Sessions), [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [30JY]

S. 3384—A bill to extend supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Johnson of South Dakota), [12JY]
Cosponsors added, [24JY], [1AU]

S. 3385—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Tester, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Udall of New Mexico,

Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Franken, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mr. Conrad), [16JY]

S. 3386—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the ''Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building''; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. CASEY, [16JY]

S. 3387—A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to require the United States Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms purchased or otherwise obtained by the Committee to be produced in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Casey, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Manchin, and Mr. Franken), [16JY]

S. 3388—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Cardin, and Mr. Whitehouse), [16JY]

S. 3389—A bill to modify chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. Coons, and Mr. Whitehouse), [17JY]

S. 3390—A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Miami-Dade County certain Federal land in the State of Florida for the purpose of building a fire station; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [17JY]

S. 3391—A bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. Shaheen, and Mr. Boozman), [17JY]
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [12SE], [19SE]
Reported (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 3392—A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to require the disclosure of the total number of the domestic and foreign employers of issuers; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Rockefeller, and Mrs. McCaskill), [17JY]
Cosponsors added, [23JY]

S. 3393—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.
By Mr. REID, [17JY]
Read the first time, [17JY]
Read the second time, [18JY]
Placed on the calendar, [18JY]

S. 3394—A bill to address fee disclosure requirements under the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Johanns, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Tester, and Mrs. Hagan), [17JY]
Cosponsors added, [18JY], [19JY], [23JY], [25JY], [30JY], [2AU], [10SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [28NO]

S. 3395—A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. MERKLEY, [17JY]
Cosponsors added, [18JY], [24JY], [25JY]

S. 3396—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. Cardin), [18JY]

S. 3397—A bill to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Thune, Mr. Burr, Mr. Kyl, and Mr. McConnell), [18JY]
Cosponsors added, [19JY], [24JY], [25JY], [2AU], [12SE]

S. 3398—A bill to provide for several critical National Park Service authorities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (by request), [18JY]

S. 3399—A bill to authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (by request), [18JY]

S. 3400—A bill to designate certain Federal land in the San Juan National Forest in the State of Colorado as wilderness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [18JY]

S. 3401—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [18JY]
Read the first time, [18JY]
Read the second time, [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]

S. 3402—A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to maintain a publicly available list of all employers that relocate a call center overseas, to make such companies ineligible for Federal grants or guaranteed loans, and to require disclosure of the physical location of business agents engaging in customer service communications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [18JY]
Cosponsors added, [11SE], [13SE], [19SE]

S. 3403—A bill to repeal the Federal estate and gift taxes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BOOZMAN, [19JY]

S. 3404—A bill to establish within the Department of Energy an Office of Federal Energy Production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. Vitter), [19JY]

S. 3405—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat small businesses bequeathed to spouses and dependents by members of the Armed Forces killed in line of duty as small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. Burr), [19JY]
Cosponsors added, [31JY], [12SE]

S. 3406—An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [19JY]
Reported (no written report), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]

S. 3407—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WYDEN, [19JY]
Cosponsors added, [1AU], [19SE], [21SE], [13NO], [15NO]

S. 3408—A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from enforcing regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. JOHANNS, [19JY]

S. 3409—A bill to address the forest health, public safety, and wildlife habitat threat presented by the risk of wildfire, including catastrophic wildfire, on National Forest System land and public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management by requiring the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to expedite forest management projects relating to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. LEE, [19JY]
Cosponsors added, [25JY]

S. 3410—A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Ms. Ayotte), [19JY]
Reported (no written report), [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]
Report to accompany (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]

S. 3411—A bill to provide that the individual mandate under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall not be construed as a tax; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LEE, [19JY]

S. 3412—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families.
By Mr. REID, [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [25JY]
Passed Senate, [25JY]

S. 3413—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]

S. 3414—A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Rockefeller, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Carper), [19JY]
Read the first time, [19JY]
Read the second time, [23JY]
Placed on the calendar, [23JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [25JY], [26JY], [30JY], [2AU], [14NO]
Senate invoked cloture, [26JY]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [30JY]

Considered, [30JY], [31JY]
Consideration of motion to close debate, [2AU]
Rejected motion to close further debate, [2AU]
Senate agreed to motion to proceed to consider motion to reconsider, [14NO]
Senate rejected motion to close debate on bill, [14NO]

S. 3415—A bill to require the disclosure of all payments made under the Equal Access to Justice Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. Vitter), [19JY]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3416—A bill to enhance civil penalties under the Federal securities laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [23JY]

S. 3417—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily extend tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, to provide for temporary alternative minimum tax relief, to extend increased expensing limitations, and to provide instructions for tax reform; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [23JY]

S. 3418—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to use only human-based methods for training members of the Armed Forces in the treatment of severe combat injuries; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. WYDEN, [23JY]
Cosponsors added, [11SE]

S. 3419—A bill to provide for the establishment of the United States Employee Ownership Bank, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Akaka), [23JY]

S. 3420—A bill to permanently extend the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts, to provide for permanent alternative minimum tax relief, and to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Risch, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [23JY]
Read the first time, [23JY]
Read the second time, [24JY]
Placed on the calendar, [24JY]

S. 3421—A bill to establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Akaka), [23JY]

S. 3422—A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. VITTER, [23JY]

S. 3423—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, and Mr. Whitehouse), [23JY]
Cosponsors added, [24JY]

S. 3424—A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. VITTER, [24JY]

S. 3425—A bill to amend the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to provide a notice requirement regarding offshoring; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. McCASKILL, [24JY]

S. 3426—A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to address certain issues related to the extension of consumer credit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mr. Durbin), [24JY]
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 3427—A bill to permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit under section 45F of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KOHL, [24JY]
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 3428—A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CARDIN, [24JY]
Cosponsors added, [25JY], [26JY]

S. 3429—A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [24JY]
Read the first time, [24JY]
Read the second time, [25JY]
Placed on the calendar, [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [25JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [31JY]

S. 3430—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. Collins), [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [30JY], [31JY], [19SE], [20SE], [27NO]

S. 3431—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to more effectively regulate anabolic steroids; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. Hatch), [25JY]

S. 3432—A bill to prevent identity theft and tax fraud; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. Coburn), [25JY]

S. 3433—A bill to require a radio spectrum inventory of bands managed by the Federal Communications Commission and the National Telecommunications & Information Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. Warner), [25JY]

S. 3434—A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide for automatic continuing resolutions; to the Committee on Appropriations.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. Tester, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Coats, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCain, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Risch, Mr. Burr, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. McConnell, and Mr. Toomey), [25JY]

S. 3435—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the ''Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building''; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [11SE]

S. 3436—A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to improve the quality of infant and toddler care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Sanders), [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [26JY]

S. 3437—A bill to amend the Natural Gas Act to provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. CASEY, [25JY]

S. 3438—A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to implement the Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program—2012–2017 and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development in the United States for a more secure energy future, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Webb, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Warner, Mr. Barrasso, and Mr. Begich), [25JY]

S. 3439—A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to direct the Administrator of General Services to install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in all Federal buildings in order to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity by offloading wireless traffic onto wireline broadband networks; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. Warner), [25JY]

S. 3440—A bill to extend estate and gift tax rules for 1 year; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Tester), [25JY]

S. 3441—A bill to provide for the transfer of excess Department of Defense aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. Nelson of Florida, and Mrs. Feinstein), [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [1AU], [27NO]

S. 3442—A bill to provide tax incentives for small businesses, improve programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [25JY]
Cosponsors added, [26JY], [10SE]

S. 3443—A bill to improve compliance with mine and occupational safety and health laws, empower workers to raise safety concerns, prevent future mine and other workplace tragedies, and establish rights of families of victims of workplace accidents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. Harkin, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Manchin), [25JY]

S. 3444—A bill to require that textile and apparel articles acquired for use by executive agencies be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [26JY]
Cosponsors added, [20SE]

S. 3445—A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, to provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas exploration, development, and production under oil and gas leases of Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Thune, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Wicker, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Burr, Mr. Heller, Mr. Risch, Mr. Coats, Mr. Portman, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Cochran, Mr. McCain, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Johanns, and Mr. Lugar), [26JY]

S. 3446—A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to halt the premature proposed listing of 4 central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement, and to take into account extensive ongoing State and local conservation efforts; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CORNYN, [26JY]

S. 3447—A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to permit access to certain disability benefits without penalty; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Ms. Klobuchar), [26JY]

S. 3448—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. Burr), [26JY]

S. 3449—A bill to prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until the People's Republic of China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. Graham), [26JY]

S. 3450—A bill to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. COATS (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Lee, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Risch, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Paul, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Boozman, Mr. McCain, Mr. Burr, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Chambliss), [26JY]
Cosponsors added, [30JY], [31JY]

S. 3451—A bill to exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [26JY]
Cosponsors added, [30JY]

S. 3452—A bill to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish a national usury rate for consumer credit transactions; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Whitehouse), [26JY]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 3453—A bill to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Franken, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Akaka, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [26JY]
Cosponsors added, [30JY]

S. 3454—A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; from the Select Committee on Intelligence
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN, [30JY]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]
Placed on the calendar, [30JY]
Passed Senate amended, [28DE]
Passed House, [31DE]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–277] (signed January 14, 2013)

S. 3455—A bill to require the establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin), [30JY]

S. 3456—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Cornyn), [30JY]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3457—A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [30JY]
Read the first time, [30JY]
Read the second time, [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE]
Cosponsors added, [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [13SE]
Senate invoked cloture, [11SE]
Senate agreed to motion to proceed to consideration, [12SE]
Considered, [12SE], [19SE]
Returned to the calendar, [19SE]

S. 3458—A bill to require face to face purchases of ammunition, to require licensing of ammunition dealers, and to require reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. Feinstein), [30JY]
Cosponsors added, [31JY], [18DE]

S. 3459—A bill to amend the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 to improve the high-end computing research and development program of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Durbin), [31JY]
Cosponsors added, [12SE]

S. 3460—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Rubio), [31JY]
Cosponsors added, [13NO], [12DE], [28DE]

S. 3461—A bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Begich), [31JY]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [21SE], [28NO], [17DE]

S. 3462—A bill to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Grassley, and Mr. Kohl), [31JY]

S. 3463—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the incidence of diabetes among Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Rockefeller, Ms. Collins, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [31JY]
Cosponsors added, [2AU], [10SE], [13SE], [19SE], [20SE]

S. 3464—A bill to amend the Mni Wiconi Project Act of 1988 to facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, [31JY]

S. 3465—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to define care coordination, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail the care coordination functions of the Assistant Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. KERRY, [1AU]

S. 3466—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for employer-provided job training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [1AU]

S. 3467—A bill to establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance conducted by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. JOHANNS, [1AU]

S. 3468—A bill to affirm the authority of the President to require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. Warner, and Ms. Collins), [1AU]

S. 3469—A bill to establish a new organization to manage nuclear waste, provide a consensual process for siting nuclear waste facilities, ensure adequate funding for managing nuclear waste, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. BINGAMAN, [1AU]

S. 3470—A bill to permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. Crapo), [1AU]

S. 3471—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on Olympic medals won by United States athletes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. RUBIO, [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [2AU], [11SE]

S. 3472—A bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Begich, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Franken, and Ms. Klobuchar), [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [5DE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [17DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–278] (signed January 14, 2013)

S. 3473—A bill to replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. INHOFE, [1AU]

S. 3474—A bill to provide consumer protection for students; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, and Mr. Harkin), [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3475—A bill to increase the participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education and industry; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [1AU]

S. 3476—A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to ensure access to high—quality child care for homeless children and families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Franken, and Mr. Kerry), [1AU]

S. 3477—A bill to ensure that the United States promotes women's meaningful inclusion and participation in mediation and negotiation processes undertaken in order to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict and implements the United States National Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Casey, Ms. Snowe, Mrs. Shaheen, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [13SE], [20SE], [13NO], [27NO], [4DE]

S. 3478—A bill to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Begich, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Franken, and Ms. Klobuchar), [1AU]

S. 3479—A bill to strengthen manufacturing in the United States through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, to deter evasion of

antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and to promote United States exports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Warner), [1AU]

S. 3480—A bill to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Tester, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Toomey, and Mrs. Hagan), [1AU]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. 3481—A bill to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to employees and to require approval of high cost Government conferences and reporting regarding Government conferences; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Ms. Ayotte), [2AU]

S. 3482—A bill to cut, cap, and balance the Federal budget; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Paul, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Risch, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Graham, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Thune, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Portman), [2AU]

S. 3483—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [2AU]

S. 3484—A bill to amend the S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to provide an exception from the definition of loan originator for certain loans made with respect to manufactured homes, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to modify the definition of a high-cost mortgage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [26NO]

S. 3485—A bill to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [13SE]

S. 3486—A bill to implement the provisions of the Hague Agreement and the Patent Law Treaty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [20SE]
Placed on the calendar, [20SE]
Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
Passed House, [5DE]
Presented to the President (December 10, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–211] (signed December 18, 2012)

S. 3487—A bill to provide for auditable financial statements for the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. COBURN (for himself, Mr. Manchin, Ms. Ayotte, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, and Mr. Paul), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [29NO]

S. 3488—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio, [2AU]

S. 3489—A bill to protect senior citizens, disabled persons, veterans, and other beneficiaries and customers of the Social Security Administration by performing the process for closure of field offices; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, [2AU]

S. 3490—A bill to dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. Lieberman), [2AU]

S. 3491—A bill to cut taxes for innovative businesses that produce renewable chemicals; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. STABENOW, [2AU]

S. 3492—A bill to provide for exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. Carper, Mr. Moran, and Mrs. McCaskill), [2AU]

S. 3493—A bill to protect first amendment rights of journalists and internet service providers by preventing States and the United States from allowing meritless lawsuits arising from acts in furtherance of those rights, commonly called ''Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation'' or ''SLAPPs'', and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KYL, [2AU]

S. 3494—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to qualify formerly homeless individuals who are full-time students for purposes of low income housing tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Menendez), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [20SE], [13NO]

S. 3495—A bill to direct the President to establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate United States development programs and private sector investment activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. Rubio), [2AU]

S. 3496—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs that are prepared by the pharmacies for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself and Mr. Wicker), [2AU]

S. 3497—A bill to amend the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to repeal certain designation authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, to repeal the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. VITTER, [2AU]

S. 3498—A bill to provide humanitarian assistance and support a democratic transition in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CASEY, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [21SE], [13NO]

S. 3499—A bill to amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the Act applies to condominiums; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. Gillibrand), [2AU]

S. 3500—A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Lee, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Wicker), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 3501—A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. Paul, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Sanders), [2AU]

S. 3502—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit rental of motor vehicles under a safety recall because of a defect related to motor vehicle safety or noncompliance with an applicable motor vehicle safety standard until the defect or noncompliance is remedied, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. Feinstein), [2AU]

S. 3503—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of work-study allowances by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to individuals who are pursuing programs of rehabilitation, education, or training under laws administered by the Secretary, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [2AU]

S. 3504—A bill to help fulfill the Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities for Native Americans; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Franken, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Begich, and Ms. Klobuchar), [2AU]

S. 3505—A bill to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars in construction-related contracts for reconstruction efforts in Afghanistan by requiring reporting to Congress by Federal agencies that refuse to implement, or only partially concur with, SIGAR recommendations to seek reimbursement for failure by a contractor or subcontractor to successfully complete a contract due to poor contractor performance, cost overruns, or other reasons; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Mr. Risch), [2AU]

S. 3506—A bill to eliminate requirements to undertake duplicative clinical testing of new pharmaceutical drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices, when such duplication is inconsistent with relevant ethical norms; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SANDERS, [2AU]

S. 3507—A bill to renew the temporary suspension of duty on ceiling fans for permanent installation; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [2AU]

S. 3508—A bill to strengthen resources for entrepreneurs by improving the SCORE Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mrs. Shaheen, and Mr. Coons), [2AU]

S. 3509—A bill to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 to provide for expedited project implementation relating to the comprehensive Everglades restoration plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida, [2AU]

S. 3510—A bill to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom internet publication of certain information applies, and for other purposes.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [2AU]
Passed House, [2AU]
Passed Senate, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–173] (signed August 16, 2012)

S. 3511—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transport individuals to and from facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. Begich, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [2AU]

S. 3512—A bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Baucus, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Portman, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Warner, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Moran, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Graham, Mr. Casey, Mr. Thune, Mr. Webb, and Mr. Hatch), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [27NO]

S. 3513—A bill to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate use of assistance under sections 8 and 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 with public and private resources, to enable eligible families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED, [2AU]

S. 3514—A bill to repeal a limitation on annual payments under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Manchin), [2AU]

S. 3515—A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to provide additional protections for privacy and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Tester), [2AU]

S. 3516—A bill to encourage spectrum licenses to make unused spectrum available for use by rural and smaller carriers in order to expand wireless coverage; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. SNOWE, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. 3517—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. Boxer), [2AU]

S. 3518—A bill to make it a principal negotiating objective of the United States in trade negotiations to eliminate government fisheries subsidies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [11DE], [19DE]

S. 3519—A bill to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing costs of ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Corker, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Lee, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Paul, Mr. Risch, Mr. Sessions, and Mr. Toomey), [2AU]
Read the first time, [2AU]
Read the second time, [10SE]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU], [10SE]

S. 3520—A bill to require a portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Begich, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Franken, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Levin), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [11SE], [12SE]

S. 3521—An original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions; from the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [10SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Placed on the calendar, [10SE]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]

S. 3522—A bill to provide for the expansion of affordable refinancing of mortgages held by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Reed, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Franken, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Sanders), [10SE]
Read the first time, [10SE]
Read the second time, [11SE]
Placed on the calendar, [11SE]
Cosponsors added, [12SE], [13SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE], [26NO]

S. 3523—A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend protection to fashion design, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Hatch, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Graham, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Snowe, and Mrs. Boxer), [10SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]
Placed on the calendar, [20DE]

S. 3524—An original bill to deter the evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [10SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–209), [10SE]
Placed on the calendar, [10SE]

S. 3525—A bill to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, and for other purposes.
By Mr. TESTER, [10SE]
Read the first time, [10SE]
Read the second time, [11SE]
Placed on the calendar, [11SE]
Cosponsors added, [12SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [20SE], [21SE], [13NO]
Senate invoked cloture on consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [21SE]
Senate agreed to motion to proceed to consideration, [13NO]
Considered, [13NO], [15NO], [26NO]
Senate invoked cloture, [15NO]
Returned to the calendar, [26NO]

S. 3526—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to protect the rights of conscience of members of the Armed Forces and chaplains of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. Inhofe), [11SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE], [13NO], [14NO]

S. 3527—A bill to provide for enhanced criminal penalties for individuals who file a SEVP certification petition under false pretenses, to prohibit certain schools from accessing SEVIS or participating in the SEVP, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mrs. McCaskill), [11SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. 3528—A bill to repeal the authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House of Representatives; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. TESTER, [11SE]

S. 3529—A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to clarify a certain provision relating to prevention of accidental releases; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. ROBERTS, [11SE]

S. 3530—A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. HELLER, [12SE]

S. 3531—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and to increase the investment credit for more efficient fuel cells; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [12SE]

S. 3532—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of church pension plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. Cardin), [12SE]

S. 3533—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to extend the solvency of the Social Security Trust Funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages under the Social Security Program and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON, [12SE]

S. 3534—A bill to amend the statue of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. Kirk), [12SE]

S. 3535—A bill to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for the purpose of retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Hoeven), [12SE]

S. 3536—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Heller, Mr. Webb, and Ms. Cantwell), [12SE]
Cosponsors added, [13SE], [19SE]

S. 3537—A bill to require all recreational vessels to have and post passenger capacity limits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [13SE]

S. 3538—A bill to reform laws relating to small public housing agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. Tester), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [15NO]

S. 3539—A bill to encourage the adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KERRY, [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [26NO], [27NO]

S. 3540—A bill to reduce Federal advertising budgets; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER, [13SE]

S. 3541—A bill to amend section 520 of the Housing Act of 1949 to revise the census data and population requirements for areas to be considered as rural areas for purposes of such Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. Johanns), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. 3542—A bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Blunt), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [15NO], [27NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [29NO]
Passed House amended, [12DE]
Presented to the President (December 14, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–218] (signed December 20, 2012)

S. 3543—A bill to exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. Hutchison), [13SE]

S. 3544—A bill to make available funds from the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 for funding pension benefits with respect to former employees of Delphi Corporation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Schumer, and Ms. Stabenow), [13SE]

S. 3545—A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to clarify the rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from the disposition of farm assets under chapter 12 bankruptcies; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. Franken), [13SE]

S. 3546—A bill to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mr. Franken), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [20SE]
Reported (no written report), [11DE]
Placed on the calendar, [11DE]

S. 3547—A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Sanders, and Mr. Blumenthal), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [30NO]

S. 3548—A bill to clarify certain provisions of the Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act of 1994; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA, [13SE]
Reported (no written report), [11DE]
Placed on the calendar, [11DE]

S. 3549—A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [13SE]

S. 3550—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to protect students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions of higher education, to provide a waiting period for students to make enrollment decisions, to guard against misrepresentation, to standardize and elevate institutional disclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. Harkin), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 3551—A bill to require investigations into and a report on the September 11–13, 2012, attacks on the United States missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself and Mr. Corker), [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [20SE], [21SE], [27NO]

S. 3552—A bill to reauthorize the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. Roberts), [13SE]
Passed Senate, [13SE]
Passed House, [14SE]
Presented to the President (September 20, 2012)
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S. 3553—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Coons, and Mr. Whitehouse), [19SE]
Objection is heard to request for consideration, [5DE]

S. 3554—A bill to require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [19SE]

S. 3555—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require Federal agencies to hire veterans, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. BURR, [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. 3556—A bill to provide penalties for email marketing fraud; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. Blumenthal), [19SE]

S. 3557—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in programs under title IV of such Act from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Begich, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Whitehouse), [19SE]

S. 3558—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to preserve the authority of each State to make determinations relating to the State's water quality standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. Toomey), [19SE]

S. 3559—A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. Tester, Mr. Conrad, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Inhofe), [19SE]

S. 3560—A bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Akaka, Ms. Collins, Mr. Reed, Mr. Pryor, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Warner), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [27NO], [28NO]

S. 3561—A bill to correct the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06, Topsail, North Carolina; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. HAGAN, [19SE]

S. 3562—A bill to reauthorize and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Begich, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Menendez), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE], [14NO]

S. 3563—A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. Conrad), [19SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 3564—A bill to extend the Public Interest Declassification Act of 2000 until 2018 and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. Collins), [19SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [11DE]
Passed House, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
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S. 3565—A bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Harkin, and Ms. Mikulski), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [14NO], [26NO]

S. 3566—An original bill to provide for scientific frameworks with respect to recalcitrant cancers; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN, [19SE]
Reported (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 3567—A bill to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Lieberman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Landrieu, Mrs. Shaheen, and Mrs. Boxer), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [15NO]

S. 3568—An original bill to create a Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund to support research on diseases impacting the citrus industry, to renew and modify the temporary duty suspensions on certain cotton shirting fabrics, and to modify and extend the Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS, [19SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–227), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. 3569—A bill to improve the enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Hoeven), [19SE]

S. 3570—A bill to provide for the establishment of nationally uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. RUBIO, [19SE]

S. 3571—A bill to require the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Corker, and Mr. Toomey), [19SE]

S. 3572—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, title 5, United States Code, the Small Business Act, and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide certainty for small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. SNOWE, [19SE]

S. 3573—A bill to recognize the primacy of States, provide for the consideration of the economic impact of additional regulations, and provide for standards and requirements relating to certain guidelines and regulations relating to health and the environment; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [13NO]

S. 3574—A bill to amend section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Moran), [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE], [13NO], [27NO], [30NO]

S. 3575—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide equal treatment of LGBT older individuals; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BENNET, [19SE]
Cosponsors added, [5DE]

S. 3576—A bill to provide limitations on United States assistance, and for other purposes.
By Mr. PAUL, [19SE]
Read the first time, [19SE]
Read the second time, [20SE]
Placed on the calendar, [20SE]
Failed of passage, [21SE]

S. 3577—A bill to eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet primary indicators of health, sanitation, and safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Inhofe), [19SE]

S. 3578—An original bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN, [20SE]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Placed on the calendar, [20SE]

S. 3579—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. VITTER, [20SE]

S. 3580—A bill to require the Corps of Engineers to preserve the historical integrity of Zoar, Ohio, while carrying out any study relating to or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees, in Zoar, Ohio; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Portman), [20SE]

S. 3581—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the credit for carbon dioxide sequestration; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Enzi, and Mr. Rockefeller), [20SE]

S. 3582—A bill to improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. REED, [20SE]

S. 3583—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish and carry out a community revitalization program to provide Federal grants to communities for the rehabilitation of critically needed parks, recreational areas, and facilities, the development of improved recreational programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. Kerry, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [20SE]

S. 3584—A bill to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. Moran), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [13NO], [14NO]

S. 3585—A bill to provide authorities for the appropriate conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other temporary seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies who perform regularly recurring seasonal work to permanent seasonal positions; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. TESTER, [20SE]

S. 3586—A bill to provide reimbursement under the Medicaid Program to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to Medicaid beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. Leahy), [20SE]

S. 3587—A bill to include the Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands in the California Coastal National Monument as a part of the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. Feinstein), [20SE]

S. 3588—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to protect and restore the Great Lakes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. 3589—A bill to require the Comptroller of the Currency to establish a pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED, [20SE]

S. 3590—A bill to amend the Denali Commission Act of 1998 to reauthorize and modify the membership of the Denali Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [20SE]

S. 3591—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and extend the deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Cardin), [20SE]

S. 3592—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to encourage the use of locally grown food in meal programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BENNET, [20SE]

S. 3593—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BENNET, [20SE]

S. 3594—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Rockefeller, and Ms. Klobuchar), [20SE]

S. 3595—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exception from the passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [20SE]

S. 3596—A bill to make the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. Begich), [20SE]

S. 3597—A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [20SE]

S. 3598—A bill to protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crime, to prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and to promote safety for elder adults; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [14NO]

S. 3599—A bill to streamline and address overlap in the Federal workforce investment system, steer Federal training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish incentives for accountability through a Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide new access to the National Directory of New Hires, to measure performance and better connect the unemployed to jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. Bennet), [20SE]

S. 3600—A bill to expand the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. Portman), [20SE]

S. 3601—A bill to provide tax relief with respect to the Hurricane Isaac disaster area; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. VITTER, [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. 3602—A bill to repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. INHOFE, [20SE]

S. 3603—A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Sunrise, Florida, as the ''William 'Bill' Kling Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic''; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida, [20SE]

S. 3604—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the implementation of prescriber education programs and to establish requirements relating to the administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities and nursing facilities under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Mr. Grassley, and Mr. Blumenthal), [20SE]

S. 3605—A bill to clarify congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself, Mr. Crapo, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Risch, Mr. Carper, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Coons, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Conrad), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE], [13NO]

S. 3606—A bill to establish an improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent the introduction and establishment in the United States of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites that are likely to cause harm; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [20SE]

S. 3607—A bill to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Vitter, and Ms. Murkowski), [20SE]
Read the first time, [20SE]

S. 3608—A bill to modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Durbin, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Sanders), [21SE]
Cosponsors added, [14NO], [6DE]

S. 3609—A bill to adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WYDEN, [21SE]

S. 3610—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny the inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of

the basis of any energy tax credit property; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. Merkley), [21SE]

S. 3611—A bill to prohibit executive agencies from procuring merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. Merkley), [21SE]

S. 3612—A bill to prohibit the payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Lee, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Risch), [21SE]

S. 3613—A bill to promote research, monitoring, and observation of the Arctic and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [21SE]

S. 3614—A bill to establish a pilot program to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low—income veterans; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. Johanns), [21SE]
Cosponsors added, [26NO]

S. 3615—A bill to enhance national seafood marketing efforts through the creation of a National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, Regional Seafood Marketing Boards and a National Coordinating Committee and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH, [21SE]

S. 3616—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2001 and to permanently reinstate the expansion of tax benefits for adoption enacted in 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Blunt, and Mrs. Hutchison), [21SE]
Cosponsors added, [29NO], [5DE], [12DE]

S. 3617—A bill to ensure sufficient sizing of the civilian and contract services workforces of the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Begich, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Akaka), [21SE]
Cosponsors added, [27NO]

S. 3618—A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit the exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Whitehouse), [21SE]

S. 3619—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for outreach, and coordination of services, to veterans; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MANCHIN, [21SE]

S. 3620—A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to clarify provisions relating to the regulation of municipal advisors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. WICKER, [21SE]

S. 3621—A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MANCHIN, [21SE]

S. 3622—A bill to prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Blumenthal), [21SE]

S. 3623—A bill to extend the authorizations of appropriations for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. Portman), [21SE]
Cosponsors added, [13DE], [19DE]

S. 3624—A bill to amend section 31311 of title 49, United States Code, to permit States to issue commercial driver's licenses to members of the Armed Forces whose duty station is located in the State.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Moran, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Begich, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [21SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Passed House, [28SE]
Presented to the President (October 9, 2012)
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S. 3625—A bill to change the effective date for the internet publication of certain information to prevent harm to the national security or endangering the military officers and civilian employees to whom the publication requirement applies, and for other purposes.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. Collins), [21SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Passed House, [28SE]
Presented to the President (September 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–178] (signed September 28, 2012)

S. 3626—A bill to provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. MERKLEY, [13NO]
Cosponsors added, [26NO], [4DE]

S. 3627—A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY, [14NO]

S. 3628—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to raise awareness of, and to educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding, the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Vitter), [14NO]
Cosponsors added, [4DE]

S. 3629—A bill to amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act to promote the availability of affordable, clean-burning natural gas to North American markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [14NO]

S. 3630—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the ''Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office''; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin (for himself and Mr. Kohl), [14NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013)
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S. 3631—A bill to prohibit and deter the theft of metal, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Graham), [15NO]
Cosponsors added, [26NO]

S. 3632—A bill to amend the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 to provide for the increased purchase of Kosher and Halal food and to modify the labeling of the commodities list under the emergency food assistance program to enable Kosher and Halal food bank operators to identify which commodities to obtain from local food banks; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [15NO]

S. 3633—A bill to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Anchorage, Alaska, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversion interest to the City; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI, [15NO]
Cosponsors added, [17DE]

S. 3634—A bill to require a report on the establishment of a joint Army-Navy storage and preservation facility at the United States Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle, Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. Casey), [15NO]

S. 3635—A bill to provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. Warner), [15NO]
Cosponsors added, [27NO], [19DE]

S. 3636—A bill to provide increased consumer protections for gift cards; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [26NO]
Cosponsors added, [3DE], [10DE]

S. 3637—A bill to temporarily extend the transaction account guarantee program, and for other purposes.
By Mr. REID, [26NO]
Read the first time, [26NO]
Read the second time, [27NO]
Placed on the calendar, [27NO]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [6DE], [11DE]
Senate invoked cloture, [11DE]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [11DE]
Considered, [11DE], [13DE]
Bill committed to Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [13DE]

S. 3638—A bill to establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [26NO]
Cosponsors added, [28NO], [3DE]

S. 3639—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide secure borders and to give long-term resident youth the ability to contribute to the safety and economic growth of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. Kyl, and Mr. McCain), [27NO]

S. 3640—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [27NO]
Cosponsors added, [28NO]

S. 3641—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with regard to research on asthma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mrs. Gillibrand), [27NO]

S. 3642—A bill to clarify the scope of the Economic Espionage Act of 1996.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Kohl), [27NO]
Passed Senate, [27NO]
Passed House, [18DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
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S. 3643—A bill to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in a security-related position in an executive or managerial capacity is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [28NO]

S. 3644—A bill to provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. COATS, [28NO]

S. 3645—A bill to direct the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers, the National Park Service, and the United States Geological Survey, to lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Franken, Mr. Portman, and Mr. Casey), [28NO]
Cosponsors added, [30NO]

S. 3646—A bill to require the Department of Defense to develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Snowe, and Mr. Lautenberg), [28NO]

S. 3647—A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve and enhance the capabilities of the Armed Forces to prevent and respond to sexual assault and sexual harassment in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [29NO]
Cosponsors added, [4DE]

S. 3648—A bill to exclude from gross income for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 any payments made from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to the victims of the tragic event at the Century 16 Cinema in Aurora, Colorado, on July 20, 2012; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [29NO]

S. 3649—A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG, [29NO]
Cosponsors added, [30NO], [3DE]

S. 3650—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Bennet, and Mr. Barrasso), [29NO]
Cosponsors added, [3DE]

S. 3651—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make improvements in the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, to provide for cash relief for years for which annual COLAs do not take effect under certain cash benefit programs, and to provide for Social Security benefit protection; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BEGICH, [4DE]

S. 3652—A bill to allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Coons), [4DE]

S. 3653—A bill to improve the training of child protection professionals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Franken, and Mr. Pryor), [4DE]

S. 3654—A bill to create equal footing for tribal economic development; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. REID, [4DE]

S. 3655—A bill to provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy and Tropical Storm Sandy of 2012, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Lieberman), [4DE]
Cosponsors added, [18DE]

S. 3656—A bill to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Wicker), [4DE]

S. 3657—A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mrs. BOXER, [5DE]

S. 3658—A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fayetteville Street in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the ''Jesse Helms Federal Building and United States Courthouse''; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. BURR, [5DE]

S. 3659—A bill to repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. Wyden), [5DE]
Cosponsors added, [27DE]

S. 3660—A bill to extend the payroll tax holiday and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CASEY, [5DE]

S. 3661—A bill to reaffirm and amend the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mrs. Hutchison), [5DE]

S. 3662—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminster, Massachusetts, as the ''Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building''; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Moran), [5DE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
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S. 3663—A bill to reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. Begich), [6DE]

S. 3664—A bill to provide for debt limit extensions.
By Mr. REID, [6DE]
Read the first time, [6DE]
Read the second time, [10DE]
Placed on the calendar, [10DE]
Objection is heard to request for consideration, [6DE]

S. 3665—A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Franken, Mr. Levin, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Begich, Mr. Rockefeller, and Ms. Landrieu), [6DE]
Cosponsors added, [11DE]

S. 3666—A bill to amend the Animal Welfare Act to modify the definition of ''exhibitor''.
By Mr. VITTER, [6DE]
Passed Senate, [6DE]
Passed House, [31DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–261] (signed January 10, 2013)

S. 3667—A bill to rename section 219(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA; to the Committee on Finance.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. Cornyn), [10DE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [27DE]

S. 3668—A bill to require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. Casey), [10DE]

S. 3669—A bill to provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [11DE]

S. 3670—A bill to prohibit the use of fiscal year 2013 funds for United States participation in joint military exercises with Egypt if the Government of Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the 1979 Egypt-Israel peace treaty; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [12DE]

S. 3671—A bill to provide certain assistance to North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. LUGAR, [12DE]

S. 3672—A bill to clarify the collateral requirement for certain loans under section 7(d) of the Small Business Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [12DE]

S. 3673—A bill to provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CORKER, [12DE]
Cosponsors added, [28DE]

S. 3674—A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to provide certain exemptions relating to the taking of migratory game birds; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Cochran), [12DE]

S. 3675—A bill to expand the HUBZone Program for communities affected by base realignment and closure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [12DE]

S. 3676—A bill to promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA, [12DE]

S. 3677—A bill to make a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. Shelby), [12DE]
Passed Senate, [12DE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013)
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S. 3678—A bill to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself and Mr. Warner), [13DE]
Cosponsors added, [17DE], [18DE]

S. 3679—A bill to provide for Indian trust asset management reform, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. Risch), [13DE]

S. 3680—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and extend the making work pay credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mr. Sanders), [13DE]

S. 3681—A bill to clarify the collateral requirement for certain loans under section 7(d) of the Small Business Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [13DE]

S. 3682—A bill to establish and operate a National Center for Campus Public Safety; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Webb, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Casey, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Durbin), [13DE]

S. 3683—A bill to preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in the Glacier Peak Wilderness of the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. Cantwell), [13DE]

S. 3684—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for advanced illness care coordination services for Medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. WARNER, [17DE]

S. 3685—A bill to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. Barrasso), [17DE]

S. 3686—A bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to establish provisions with respect to religious accommodations in employment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. KERRY, [17DE]

S. 3687—A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program, to designate certain Federal buildings, and for other purposes.
By Mrs. BOXER, [17DE]
Passed Senate, [17DE]
Committees discharged. Passed House, [18DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
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S. 3688—A bill to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Sessions), [17DE]

S. 3689—A bill to establish a grant program to encourage the use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
By Mr. KERRY, [18DE]

S. 3690—A bill to require the Government Accountability Office to include in its annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relating to bids for contracts; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [19DE]

S. 3691—A bill to minimize the economic and social costs resulting from losses of life, property, well-being, business activity, and economic growth associated with extreme weather events by ensuring that the United States is more resilient to the impacts of extreme weather events in the short- and long-term, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Lautenberg), [19DE]

S. 3692—A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize National Guard support for State and local efforts to keep schools safe from violence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mrs. BOXER, [19DE]

S. 3693—A bill to enhance the safety of America's schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. BOXER, [19DE]

S. 3694—A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. MENENDEZ, [19DE]

S. 3695—A bill to amend section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Moran, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Rubio), [19DE]

S. 3696—A bill to provide for the admission of the State of New Columbia into the Union; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Murray, and Mrs. Boxer), [19DE]

S. 3697—A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act relating to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, and Mr. Merkley), [19DE]

S. 3698—A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [19DE]
Passed Senate, [19DE]

S. 3699—A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include information on the coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity in the Medicare and You Handbook, to provide written notification to beneficiaries and providers regarding new Medicare coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity, and to provide for the coordination of programs to prevent and treat obesity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. CARPER, [20DE]

S. 3700—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mrs. McCASKILL, [20DE]

S. 3701—A bill to designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances in Lyon County, Nevada, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. Reid), [20DE]

S. 3702—A bill to provide grants to establish veteran's treatment courts; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Franken), [20DE]

S. 3703—A bill to improve the ability of consumers to control their digital data usage, promote Internet use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. WYDEN, [20DE]

S. 3704—A bill to clarify the authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KYL (for himself and Mrs. Feinstein), [20DE]

S. 3705—A bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cardin, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Snowe, and Mr. Conrad), [21DE]

S. 3706—A bill to amend chapter 301 of title 49, United States Code, to prohibit the rental of motor vehicles that contain a defect related to motor vehicle safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Casey, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [21DE]

S. 3707—A bill to authorize utilities to obtain national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER, [21DE]

S. 3708—A bill to encourage reporting of child abuse; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KYL, [21DE]

S. 3709—A bill to require a Government Accountability Office examination of transactions between large financial institutions and the Federal Government, and for other purposes.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [21DE]
Passed Senate amended, [21DE]

S. 3710—A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to establish a career and technical innovation fund; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL, [27DE]

S. 3711—A bill to provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district wide work-based learning program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. Franken), [27DE]

S. 3712—A bill to authorize the minting of a coin in honor of the Centennial of Boys Town, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, [28DE]

S. 3713—A bill to make technical corrections to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
By Mr. SHELBY, [28DE]

S. 3714—A bill to alleviate the fiscal cliff, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. MANCHIN, [30DE]

S. 3715—A bill to extend the limited antitrust exemption contained in the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act.
By Mr. HARKIN, [30DE]
Passed Senate, [30DE]

S. 3716—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. Hatch), [2JA]
Passed Senate, [2JA]

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

S.J. Res. 19—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [30JA], [9FE], [28FE], [29FE], [8MY], [17MY], [17JY], [13NO]

S.J. Res. 21—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to equal rights for men and women; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [6FE], [14FE], [16AP]

S.J. Res. 29—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [24JA], [26JA], [29JN], [31JY], [2AU]

S.J. Res. 34—A joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Lee, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cornyn, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Moran, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Coats, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Burr, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Kyl, Mr. McCain, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Kirk, and Mr. Graham), [23JA]
Removal of cosponsors, [24JA]
Cosponsors added, [24JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]

S.J. Res. 35—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to authorizing regulation of contributions to candidates for State public office and Federal office by corporations, entities organized and operated for profit, and labor organizations, and expenditures by such entities and labor organizations in support of, or opposition to such candidates; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. Tester), [24JA]

S.J. Res. 36—A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to representation election procedures; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Burr, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lugar, Mr. McCain, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Moran, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Wicker), [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [14MR]
Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged, [19AP]
Placed on the calendar, [19AP]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [23AP], [24AP]
Motion to proceed to consideration rejected in the Senate, [24AP]

S.J. Res. 37—A joint resolution to disapprove a rule promulgated by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to emission standards for certain steam generating units; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
By Mr. INHOFE, [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [18JN]
Committee discharged. Placed on the calendar, [19JN]
Committee on Environment and Public Works discharged, [20JN]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [20JN]
Motion to proceed to consideration rejected in the House, [20JN]

S.J. Res. 38—A joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Burr, and Mr. Shelby), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [27MR], [18AP], [23AP], [8MY], [10MY]

S.J. Res. 39—A joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Harkin, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Menendez, and Ms. Mikulski), [22MR]
Cosponsors added, [26MR], [16AP], [14MY], [4JN], [11JY], [26JY], [1AU], [10SE], [19SE]

S.J. Res. 40—A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to the deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Lee), [15MY]
Cosponsors added, [22MY], [23MY], [24MY]

S.J. Res. 41—A joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the nuclear program of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. Casey, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Ms. Collins, Mr. Coons, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Risch, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Wyden, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Burr, Mr. Moran, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Kirk, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Warner, Mr. Carper, Mr. Lee, Mr. DeMint, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Barrasso, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Tester, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Begich, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Rockefeller, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Kohl, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Thune, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Durbin), [24MY]
Read the first time, [24MY]
Read the second time, [4JN]
Placed on the calendar, [4JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [18JY], [20SE], [21SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]

S.J. Res. 42—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. DeMINT (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Lee, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, and Mr. Risch), [5JN]
Cosponsors added, [6JN], [18JN], [19JY]

S.J. Res. 43—A joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. McCain, Mr. Durbin, and Ms. Collins), [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [21JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [11JY], [12JY], [17JY], [19JY], [24JY], [31JY]

S.J. Res. 44—A joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. Hoeven), [14JN]
Cosponsors added, [1AU], [12SE]
Reported (no written report), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]
Passed Senate, [13SE]
Passed House, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–282) (signed January 14, 2013)

S.J. Res. 45—A joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate June 19 as ''Juneteenth Independence Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. Levin, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Boxer, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Begich, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Nelson of Florida, and Mr. Akaka), [19JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [25JN], [28JN], [29JN], [12JY], [19JY], [11SE], [21SE], [13NO], [14NO], [26NO], [29NO], [4DE]

S.J. Res. 46—A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rules submitted by the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service relating to the reporting requirements for interest that relates to deposits maintained at United States offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals; to the Committee on Finance.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. DeMint, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Lee, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Risch, and Mr. Thune), [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JY]

S.J. Res. 47—A joint resolution amending title 36, United States Code, to designate July 26 as United States Intelligence Professionals Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Burr, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Risch, and Ms. Snowe), [11JY]

Cosponsors added, [16JY], [17JY]

S.J. Res. 48—A joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to the health insurance premium tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, [31JY]

Cosponsors added, [12SE]

S.J. Res. 49—A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Cochran, and Mr. Reed), [1AU]

Passed Senate, [1AU]

Passed House, [20DE]

Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)

Approved [Public Law 112–262] (signed January 10, 2013)

S.J. Res. 50—A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of Family Assistance of the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to waiver and expenditure authority under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) with respect to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Burr, Mr. Coburn, and Mr. Kyl), [11SE]

Cosponsors added, [12SE], [13SE], [19SE], [13NO]

S.J. Res. 51—A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service of the Department of the Treasury relating to taxable medical devices; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. PAUL, [21DE]

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S. Con. Res. 17—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Taiwan should be accorded observer status in the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Agreed to in the House, [11SE]

S. Con. Res. 34—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress in honor of the life and legacy of Vaclav Havel.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Casey, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Isakson, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Graham), [30JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [30JA]

S. Con. Res. 35—A concurrent resolution to establish the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 21, 2013.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Alexander), [1MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1MR]
Agreed to in the House, [5MR]

S. Con. Res. 36—A concurrent resolution to authorize the use of the rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Alexander), [1MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1MR]
Agreed to in the House, [5MR]

S. Con. Res. 37—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Lee, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Burr, Mr. Kyl, and Mr. Risch), [29MR]
Committee on the Budget discharged, [17AP]
Placed on the calendar, [17AP]

S. Con. Res. 38—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [29MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]
Agreed to in the House, [30MR]

S. Con. Res. 39—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022; to the Committee on the Budget.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DeMint, and Mr. Lee), [29MR]

S. Con. Res. 40—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022.
By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. DeMint, and Mr. Lee), [16AP]
Committee on the Budget discharged, [16AP]
Placed on the calendar, [16AP]

S. Con. Res. 41—A concurrent resolution setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.
By Mr. SESSIONS, [17AP]
Committee on the Budget discharged, [17AP]
Placed on the calendar, [17AP]

S. Con. Res. 42—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022.
By Mr. PAUL, [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]
Committee on the Budget discharged, [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [9MY]

S. Con. Res. 43—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.
By Mr. REID, [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]
Agreed to in the House, [27AP]

S. Con. Res. 44—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.
By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. Paul, and Mr. DeMint), [8MY]
Committee on the Budget discharged, [8MY]
Placed on the calendar, [8MY]

S. Con. Res. 45—A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines.
By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. Burr), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Con. Res. 46—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard should be provided for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor the members of the Armed Forces who have served as divers and whose service in defense of the United States has been carried out beneath the waters of the world; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. WEBB, [6JN]
Cosponsors added, [7JN], [19JN], [29JN], [18JY], [19SE]

S. Con. Res. 47—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress on the sovereignty of the Republic of Cyprus over all of the territory of the island of Cypress; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [6JN]
Cosponsors added, [19JN], [2AU]

S. Con. Res. 48—A concurrent resolution recognizing 375 years of service of the National Guard and affirming congressional support for a permanent Operational Reserve as a component of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. Graham), [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [21JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [29JN], [9JY], [11JY], [12JY], [16JY], [17JY], [26JY], [10SE]

S. Con. Res. 49—A concurrent resolution to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. Durbin), [21JN]

S. Con. Res. 50—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. McCain, Mr. Kerry, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Warner, Mr. Heller, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Casey), [27JN]
Cosponsors added, [29JN], [12JY], [19JY], [25JY], [30JY], [31JY], [2AU], [10SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE]
Reported (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]
Agreed to in the House, [5DE]

S. Con. Res. 51—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [29JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29JN]
Agreed to in the House, [29JN]

S. Con. Res. 52—A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.
By Mr. LEE, [19JY]

S. Con. Res. 53—A concurrent resolution honoring the victims of the Aurora, Colorado, movie theater shooting and condemning the atrocities that occurred in Aurora, Colorado; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikul-

ski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [24JY]

S. Con. Res. 54—A concurrent resolution stating that it is the policy of the United States to oppose the sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by the Russian Federation to or for the Syrian Arab Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. Cornyn), [25JY]

S. Con. Res. 55—A concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1627.

By Mr. HARKIN, [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]
Agreed to in the House, [1AU]

S. Con. Res. 56—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]
Failed of passage, [2AU]

S. Con. Res. 57—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the census surveys and the information derived from those surveys are crucial to the national welfare; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, [2AU]

S. Con. Res. 58—A concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4240.

By Mr. KERRY, [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]
Agreed to in the House, [7AU]

S. Con. Res. 59—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]
Agreed to in the House, [7AU]

S. Con. Res. 60—A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [15NO]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15NO]
Agreed to in the House, [16NO]

S. Con. Res. 61—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax is not in the economic interest of the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Heller, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Lee, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Moran, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Thune, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Cochran, and Mr. Wicker), [6DE]

S. Con. Res. 62—A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that our current tax incentives for retirement savings provide important benefits to Americans to help plan for a financially secure retirement; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Portman, Mr. Tester, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Hagan, and Mr. Boozman), [6DE]
Cosponsors added, [19DE]

S. Con. Res. 63—A concurrent resolution correcting the enrollment of S. 2367.

By Mr. CONRAD, [18DE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [18DE]
Agreed to in the House, [19DE]

S. Con. Res. 64—A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the lying in state of the remains of the late Honorable Daniel K. Inouye.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [18DE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [18DE]
Agreed to in the House, [19DE]

S. Con. Res. 65—A concurrent resolution congratulating the Navy and the current and former officers and crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise (CVN 65) on completion of the 25th and final deployment of the vessel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. Webb, and Mr. McCain), [19DE]

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S. Res. 80—A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [15FE]
Reported (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [29MR]

S. Res. 88—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that businesses of the United States should retain the option to organize as those businesses choose, including as flow-through entities, and not be forced to reorganize as C corporations; to the Committee on Finance.
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. Res. 99—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the primary safeguard for the well-being and protection of children is the family, and that the primary safeguards for the legal rights of children in the United States are the Constitutions of the United States and the several States, and that, because the use of international treaties to govern policy in the United States on families and children is contrary to principles of self-government and federalism, and that, because the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child undermines traditional principles of law in the United States regarding parents and children, the President should not transmit the Convention to the Senate for its advice and consent; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [6FE]

S. Res. 150—A resolution calling for the protection of religious minority rights and freedoms in the Arab world; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [28JN], [27NO]

S. Res. 176—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Postal Service should issue a semipostal stamp to support medical research relating to Alzheimer's disease; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Cosponsors added, [26JA], [13JN], [26JY], [19SE]

S. Res. 181—A resolution designating May 15, 2011, as ''National MPS Awareness Day''.
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. Res. 227—A resolution calling for the protection of the Mekong River Basin and increased United States support for delaying the construction of mainstream dams along the Mekong River; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. Res. 232—A resolution recognizing the continued persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China on the 12th anniversary of the campaign by the Chinese Communist Party to suppress the Falun Gong movement, recognizing the Tuidang movement whereby Chinese citizens renounce their ties to the Chinese Communist Party and its affiliates, and calling for an immediate end to the campaign to persecute Falun Gong practitioners; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [7FE], [19SE]

S. Res. 285—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Habitat Day, October 3, 2011; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. Res. 286—A resolution recognizing May 16, 2012, as Hereditary Angioedema Awareness Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that more research and treatments are needed for Hereditary Angioedema; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [31JA]

S. Res. 310—A resolution designating 2012 as the ''Year of the Girl'' and Congratulating Girl Scouts of the USA on its 100th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Cosponsors added, [23JA], [30JA], [7FE], [9FE], [13FE], [15FE], [28FE], [29FE], [8MR], [12MR]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [12MR]

S. Res. 325—A resolution recognizing the 2012 World Choir Games in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a global event of cultural significance to the United States and expressing support for designation of July 2012 as World Choir Games Month in the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [17FE]

S. Res. 342—A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Laura Pollan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Reported (no written report), [14FE]
Placed on the calendar, [14FE]

S. Res. 344—A resolution supporting the democratic aspirations of the Nicaraguan people and calling attention to the deterioration of constitutional order in Nicaragua; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
Cosponsors added, [27MR]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]

S. Res. 352—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should work with the Government of Haiti to address gender-based violence against women and children; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [23JA]
Cosponsors added, [24JA]

S. Res. 353—A resolution congratulating the North Dakota State University football team for winning the 2011 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Football Championship Subdivision title.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. Hoeven), [24JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24JA]

S. Res. 354—A resolution honoring the life of dissident and democracy activist Wilman Villar Mendoza and condemning the Castro regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [26JA]

S. Res. 355—A resolution honoring the memory of Special Agent Jared Francom of the Ogden, Utah Police Department.
By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. Lee), [26JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JA]

S. Res. 356—A resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Rubio, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Durbin, Mr. McCain, Mr. Webb, and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [30JA]
Cosponsors added, [7FE], [21MR], [26MR], [27MR], [29MR]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 357—A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs and the significance of the battle to the Civil War.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself and Mr. Paul), [30JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [30JA]

S. Res. 358—A resolution expressing support for the designation of January 28, 2012, as ''National Data Privacy Day''.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Begich, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Pryor, and Mrs. Boxer), [30JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [30JA]

S. Res. 359—A resolution commending Alan S. Frumin on his service to the United States Senate.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 360—A resolution raising awareness and encouraging prevention of stalking by designating January 2012 as ''National Stalking Awareness Month''.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Whitehouse, and Mr. Franken), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 361—A resolution congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide football team for winning the 2011 Bowl Championship Series National Championship.
By Mr. SHELBY (for himself and Mr. Sessions), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 362—A resolution designating the month of February 2012 as ''National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month''.
By Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mr. Whitehouse), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 363—A resolution congratulating the Pittsburg State University Gorillas football team for winning the 2011 NCAA Division II Football Championship.
By Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. Roberts), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 364—A resolution recognizing the goals of National Catholic Schools Week and honoring the valuable contributions of Catholic schools in the United States.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Johanns), [31JA]
Agreed to in the Senate, [31JA]

S. Res. 365—A resolution honoring the life of Kevin Hagan White, the Mayor of Boston, Massachusetts from 1968 to 1984.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [1FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1FE]

S. Res. 366—A resolution honoring the life of dissident and democracy activist Wilman Villar Mendoza and condemning the Castro regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Nelson of Florida, and Mr. Casey), [1FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1FE]

S. Res. 367—A resolution designating January 2012 as ''National Mentoring Month''.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Kerry), [2FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2FE]

S. Res. 368—A resolution recognizing the anniversary of the tragic earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, honoring those who lost their lives in that earthquake, and expressing continued solidarity with the people of Haiti.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Coons, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lautenberg, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Corker, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Lugar, and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [6FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [6FE]

S. Res. 369—A resolution congratulating the New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Menendez), [7FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [7FE]

S. Res. 370—A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Kyl), [9FE]
Cosponsors added, [13FE], [26MR]

S. Res. 371—A resolution designating the week of February 6 through 10, 2012, as ''National School Counseling Week''.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Levin, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Webb, Ms. Klobuchar, Ms. Stabenow, and Ms. Snowe), [9FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9FE]

S. Res. 372—A resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Egypt relationship, and urging the Government of Egypt to protect civil liberties and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists, and for other purposes.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Durbin), [14FE]
Reported (no written report), [14FE]
Placed on the calendar, [14FE]

S. Res. 373—A resolution recognizing February 14, 2012, as the centennial of the State of Arizona.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself and Mr. Kyl), [14FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14FE]

S. Res. 374—A resolution supporting the mission and goals of 2012 National Crime Victims' Rights Week to increase public awareness of the rights, needs, and concerns of victims and survivors of crime in the United States.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Grassley), [14FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14FE]

S. Res. 375—A resolution celebrating the bicentennial of the City of Columbus, the capital city of the State of Ohio.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Portman), [14FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14FE]

S. Res. 376—A resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WICKER, [15FE]
Cosponsors added, [12MR], [6JN]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [29JN]

S. Res. 377—A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the historic achievement of John Herschel Glenn, Jr., in becoming the first United States astronaut to orbit the Earth.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Pryor, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reid, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Levin), [15FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15FE]

S. Res. 378—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that children should have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family and that it is the policy of the United States that family reunification, kinship care, or domestic and intercountry adoption promotes permanency and stability to a greater degree than long-term institutionalization and long-term, continually disrupted foster care.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [15FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15FE]

S. Res. 379—An original resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against the Syrian people; from the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY, [16FE]
Reported (no written report), [16FE]
Placed on the calendar, [16FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [17FE]

S. Res. 380—A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons capability; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Casey, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Ms. Collins, Mr. Coons, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Risch, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Wyden, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Isakson, and Mr. Sessions), [16FE]
Cosponsors added, [27FE], [28FE], [29FE], [5MR], [6MR], [7MR], [13MR], [20MR], [22MR], [26MR], [29MR], [17AP], [19AP], [25AP], [26AP], [8MY], [14MY], [17MY]

S. Res. 381—A resolution authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [28FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [28FE]

S. Res. 382—A resolution designating March 2, 2012, as ''Read Across America Day''.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. Collins), [29FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29FE]

S. Res. 383—A resolution designating February 29, 2012, as ''Rare Disease Day''.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. Barrasso), [29FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29FE]

S. Res. 384—A resolution designating the first Tuesday in March as ''National Public Higher Education Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. Gillibrand), [29FE]

S. Res. 385—A resolution condemning the Government of Iran for its continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Hatch), [1MR]
Cosponsors added, [7MR], [13MR], [11SE]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [20JN]
Placed on the calendar, [20JN]

S. Res. 386—A resolution calling for free and fair elections in Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Graham, Mr. McCain, Mr. Begich, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Coons, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Thune, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Alexander, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Risch, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. McCaskill, Ms. Collins, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Coats, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Heller, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lee, Mr. Portman, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Burr, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Franken, Mr. Conrad, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Enzi), [1MR]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [5MR]
Cosponsors added, [7MR]

S. Res. 387—A resolution celebrating Black History Month.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Whitehouse, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Schumer, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Franken, Mr. Lautenberg, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cardin, and Mr. Levin), [1MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1MR]

S. Res. 388—A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812 and ''The Star Spangled Banner'', and recognizing the historical significance, heroic human endeavor, and sacrifice of the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Revenue Marine Service, and State militias, during the War of 1812.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Sessions), [1MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1MR]

S. Res. 389—A resolution designating the first week of April 2012 as ''National Asbestos Awareness Week''.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reid, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Tester, Mr. Isakson, and Mrs. Boxer), [6MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [6MR]

S. Res. 390—A resolution honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Donald M. Payne.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Coons), [7MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [7MR]

S. Res. 391—A resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against journalists, and expressing the sense of the Senate on freedom of the press in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Bingaman, and Mr. Lautenberg), [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [13MR]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 392—A resolution urging the Republic of Turkey to safeguard its Christian heritage and to return confiscated church properties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Kirk), [8MR]
Cosponsors added, [2AU]

S. Res. 393—A resolution designating March 11, 2012 as ''World Plumbing Day''.
By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Hatch), [8MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [8MR]

S. Res. 394—A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of Italian Unification and the beginning of warm and abiding relations between the people of the United States and Italy.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Casey, Mr. Enzi, and Mr. Schumer), [12MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12MR]

S. Res. 395—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the NATO summit to be held in Chicago, Illinois from May 20 through 21, 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Kirk, and Mrs. Shaheen), [13MR]
Cosponsors added, [27MR]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 396—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Tester, and Ms. Ayotte), [14MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14MR]

S. Res. 397—A resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Cardin), [15MR]
Cosponsors added, [20MR], [21MR], [27MR]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [29MR]

S. Res. 398—A resolution recognizing the 191st anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating Greek and American democracy.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Carper, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Inouye, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Casey, Mr. Levin, Mr. Reed, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Lautenberg, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Kirk, and Mr. Chambliss), [15MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15MR]

S. Res. 399—A resolution calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Whitehouse, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Reed), [19MR]
Cosponsors added, [20MR], [29MR], [17AP], [15MY], [16MY], [17MY], [1AU]

S. Res. 400—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Begich, Mr. Levin, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Ms. Cantwell, and Ms. Landrieu), [20MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP], [19AP]

S. Res. 401—A resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. Kerry), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [23AP], [9MY], [14MY], [15MY], [24MY], [14JN], [20JN], [12SE]
Reported (no written report), [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [13SE]

S. Res. 402—A resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Akaka, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Tester, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Franken, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Reed, Mr. Moran, Mr. Graham, Mr. Levin, Ms. Collins, Mr. Isakson, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. McCain, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Coats, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Cornyn, and Mr. Blunt), [21MR]
Cosponsors added, [22MR], [26MR], [27MR], [29MR], [17AP], [10MY], [16MY], [7JN], [20JN]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [20JN]
Placed on the calendar, [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [2AU]

S. Res. 403—A resolution to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in United States v. Richard F. ''Dickie'' Scruggs.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [21MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21MR]

S. Res. 404—A resolution recognizing the life and work of war correspondent Marie Colvin and other courageous journalists in war zones.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Wyden), [22MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [22MR]

S. Res. 405—A resolution authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [22MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [22MR]

S. Res. 406—A resolution commending the achievements and recognizing the importance of the Alliance to Save Energy on the 35th anniversary of the incorporation of the Alliance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. Bingaman, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Collins, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [26MR]
Cosponsors added, [17AP]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [18AP]

S. Res. 407—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that executives of the bankrupt firm MF Global should not be rewarded with bonuses while customer money is still missing.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. Roberts), [27MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [27MR]

S. Res. 408—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day.
By Mr. BURR (for himself, Ms. Landrieu, Mrs. Hutchison, and Mrs. Hagan), [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [28MR]

S. Res. 409—A resolution designating April 2012 as ''Financial Literacy Month''.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Coons, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kohl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [28MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [28MR]

S. Res. 410—A resolution honoring the accomplishments and legacy of Cesar Estrada Chavez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Reid, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Udall of Colorado, and Mr. Schumer), [28MR]

S. Res. 411—A resolution congratulating the Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon on its continued success in support of the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CASEY, [29MR]

S. Res. 412—A resolution commending the African Union for committing to a coordinated military response, comprised of 5,000 troops from Uganda, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and South Sudan, in order to fortify ongoing efforts to arrest Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lord's Resistance Army and to stop the crimes against humanity and mass atrocities committed by them; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [24AP]

S. Res. 413—A resolution supporting the designation of April 2012 as National Autism Awareness Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY, [29MR]
Cosponsors added, [16AP]

S. Res. 414—A resolution commemorating the 125th anniversary of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. Hagan), [29MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 415—A resolution designating April 4, 2012, as ''National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day''.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. Pryor), [29MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 416—A resolution supporting the designation of April as Parkinson's Awareness Month.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Landrieu, and Mrs. Hutchison), [29MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [29MR]

S. Res. 417—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Health Week; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Coons, Mr. Tester, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Begich, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Johnson of South Dakota), [29MR]

S. Res. 418—A resolution commending the 80 brave men who became known as the ''Doolittle Tokyo Raiders'' for outstanding heroism, valor, skill, and service to the United States during the bombing of Tokyo and 5 other targets on the island of Honshu on April 18, 1942, during the Second World War; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inouye, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Tester, and Mr. Baucus), [16AP]
Cosponsors added, [17AP], [18AP]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [2AU]

S. Res. 419—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition Week; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Carper, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Webb, and Mr. Coons), [17AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP], [26AP]
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 420—A resolution designating April 5, 2012, as ''Gold Star Wives Day''.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [17AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [17AP]

S. Res. 421—A resolution designating April 20 through 22, 2012, as ''Global Youth Service Day''.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Coons, and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [17AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [17AP]

S. Res. 422—A resolution commending and congratulating the University of Kentucky men's basketball team for winning its eighth Division I National Collegiate Athletic Association championship.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself and Mr. Paul), [17AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [17AP]

S. Res. 423—A resolution congratulating Western Washington University for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Men's Basketball Championship.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. Cantwell), [17AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [17AP]

S. Res. 424—A resolution condemning the mass atrocities committed by the Government of Syria and sup-

porting the right of the people of Syria to be safe and to defend themselves; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Graham, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Ayotte, and Mr. Hoeven), [18AP]

S. Res. 425—A resolution designating April 23, 2012, as ''National Adopt a Library Day''.
By Mr. WEBB (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Warner, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Cochran), [18AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [18AP]

S. Res. 426—A resolution congratulating the Lady Bears of Baylor University on winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Basketball Championship.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. Cornyn), [18AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [18AP]

S. Res. 427—A resolution to prevent the creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. COBURN (for himself and Mr. Udall of Colorado), [19AP]

S. Res. 428—A resolution condemning the Government of Syria for crimes against humanity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Graham, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Collins, Mr. Coats, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Cardin), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [18JY]

S. Res. 429—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Bingaman), [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [23AP], [7MY], [16MY], [10JY]
Reported (no written report), [20JN]
Placed on the calendar, [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [10JY]

S. Res. 430—A resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of the founding of Ducks Unlimited, Incorporated, the achievements of the organization in habitat conservation, and the support of the organization for the waterfowling heritage of the United States.
By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Inhofe, and Mr. Tester), [19AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [25AP]

S. Res. 431—A resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. CANTWELL, [19AP]
Cosponsors added, [23AP]

S. Res. 432—A resolution designating April 30, 2012, as ''Dia de los Ninos—Celebrating Young Americans''
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Reid, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Lautenberg), [24AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24AP]

S. Res. 433—A resolution designating April 2012 as ''National Child Abuse Prevention Month''.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. Kerry), [24AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24AP]

S. Res. 434—A resolution supporting the goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by the year 2025, as articulated in the draft National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease from the Department of Health and Human Services; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Sanders, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Casey, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Conrad), [24AP]
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [19SE]

S. Res. 435—A resolution calling for democratic change in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. Rubio), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [9MY], [15MY], [21MY], [24MY], [4JN], [6JN], [14JN]
Removal of cosponsors, [6JN]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [7MY]
Placed on the calendar, [7MY]

S. Res. 436—A resolution designating the week of April 22 through 28, 2012, as the ''Week of the Young Child''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BEGICH, [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [26AP]

S. Res. 437—A resolution congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning its fifth National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Hockey Championship.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [25AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [25AP]

S. Res. 438—A resolution to support the goals and ideals of National Safe Digging Month.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Thune, and Mr. Wicker), [25AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [25AP]

S. Res. 439—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC should eliminate the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Rubio, and Mrs. Gillibrand), [25AP]
Cosponsors added, [26AP], [24MY], [17DE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [20DE]

S. Res. 440—A resolution recognizing the historic significance of the Mexican holiday of Cinco de Mayo; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Akaka, Ms. Stabenow, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mrs. Hutchison), [26AP]

S. Res. 441—A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 2012 as National Youth Traffic Safety Month.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Pryor, and Mr. Thune), [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 442—A resolution celebrating the 140th anniversary of Arbor Day.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 443—A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Menendez), [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 444—A resolution designating the week of May 1 through May 7, 2012, as ''National Physical Education and Sport Week''.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Thune), [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 445—A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2012, as ''Silver Star Service Banner Day''.
By Mrs. McCASKILL (for herself and Mr. Blunt), [26AP]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26AP]

S. Res. 446—A resolution expressing the Senate of the Senate that the United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations should not be allowed to exercise control over the Internet; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. McCain, Mr. Johanns, and Ms. Ayotte), [26AP]
Cosponsors added, [16MY], [20JN]

S. Res. 447—A resolution congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of charter schools across the United States for ongoing contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 13th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 6 through May 12, 2012.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Burr, Mr. Carper, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Vitter), [8MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [8MY]

S. Res. 448—A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. Collins), [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [5JN], [11JN], [18JN], [10JY], [10SE], [12SE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 449—A resolution calling on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY, [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY]

S. Res. 450—A resolution designating May 15, 2012, as ''National MPS Awareness Day''.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Burr, and Mr. Inouye), [9MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]
Cosponsors added, [10MY]

S. Res. 451—A resolution recognizing the goals of National Travel and Tourism Week and honoring the valuable contributions of travel and tourism to the United States of America.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Graham, Mr. Heller, Ms. Landrieu, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Warner), [9MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

S. Res. 452—A resolution designating July 13, 2012, as ''Collector Car Appreciation Day'' and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States.
By Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. Burr), [9MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

S. Res. 453—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities is an important responsibility of the United States, and that a comprehensive approach to expanding and supporting a strong home care workforce and making long-term services and supports affordable and accessible in communities is necessary to uphold the right of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the United States to a dignified quality of life; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. HARKIN, [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [20SE], [15NO], [29NO]

S. Res. 454—A resolution commending the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Energy hosting the Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. Carper, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Risch), [10MY]

S. Res. 455—A resolution designating June 27, 2012, as ''National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Casey, Mr. Coons, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Sanders, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Tester, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Johnson of South Dakota), [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [22MY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [24MY]

S. Res. 456—A resolution commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Grassley, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Coons, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Levin, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Tester, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Schumer, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Baucus, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Sessions), [10MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [10MY]

S. Res. 457—A resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Republic of Argentina's membership in the G20 should be conditioned on its adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LUGAR, [10MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN]

S. Res. 458—A resolution commemorating May 15, 2012, as the sesquicentennial of the founding of the Department of Agriculture.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself, Ms. Stabenow, and Mr. Roberts), [10MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [10MY]

S. Res. 459—A resolution commending the 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division upon its completion of a deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [14MY]

S. Res. 460—A resolution designating the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012, as ''National Public Works Week''.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. Inhofe), [15MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15MY]

S. Res. 461—A resolution recognizing the teachers of the United States for their contributions to the development and progress of our Nation.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Begich, Mr. Warner, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Coons, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Kohl), [15MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15MY]

S. Res. 462—A resolution recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges faced by children in the foster care system, acknowledging the dedication of foster care parents, advocates, and workers, and encouraging Congress to implement policy to improve the lives of children in the foster care system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. Grassley), [16MY]
Cosponsors added, [24MY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [4JN]

S. Res. 463—A resolution designating May 19, 2012, as ''National Kids to Parks Day''.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Bingaman, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Portman), [16MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16MY]

S. Res. 464—A resolution commemorating the 70th anniversary of Ellsworth Air Force Base.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. Thune), [16MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16MY]

S. Res. 465—A resolution recognizing that the Governor of the State of Colorado has proclaimed 2012 as the ''Year of Water''.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself and Mr. Bennet), [16MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16MY]

S. Res. 466—A resolution calling for the release from prison of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. INHOFE, [17MY]
Cosponsors added, [19SE], [21SE]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [21SE]

S. Res. 467—A resolution designating May 18, 2012, as ''Endangered Species Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Collins, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reed, Mr. Sanders, Ms. Snowe, and Mrs. Boxer), [17MY]

S. Res. 468—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to childhood stroke and recognizing May as ''National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month''.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Chambliss), [21MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21MY]

S. Res. 469—A resolution honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small business concerns in the United States during National Small Business Week, which begins on May 20, 2012.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Ms. Cantwell, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Risch, Mr. Cardin, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Merkley), [21MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21MY]

S. Res. 470—A resolution designating July 28, 2012, as ''National Day of the American Cowboy''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Reid, Mr. Risch, and Mr. Tester), [23MY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [18JN]

S. Res. 471—A resolution commending the efforts of the women of the American Red Cross Clubmobiles for exemplary service during the Second World War; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Pryor, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Landrieu, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Boxer, and Mrs. Feinstein), [23MY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [21JN]

S. Res. 472—A resolution designating October 7, 2012, as ''Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Begich), [24MY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [21SE]

S. Res. 473—A resolution commending Rotary International and others for their efforts to prevent and eradicate polio; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Lugar, and Mr. Lautenberg), [24MY]
Cosponsors added, [12JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN]
Reported (no written report), [20JN]
Placed on the calendar, [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 474—A resolution recognizing the significance of May 2012 as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month and the importance of celebrating the significant contributions of Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders to the history of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Reid, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Menendez), [24MY]

S. Res. 475—A resolution relating to the death of the Honorable E. James Abdnor, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota.
By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [24MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24MY]

S. Res. 476—A resolution honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Kyl, Mr. McCain, Mr. Menendez, and Mr. Webb), [4JN]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [7JN]

S. Res. 477—A resolution calling for the safe and immediate return of Noor and Ramsay Bower to the United States.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Res. 478—A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the chartering of Hamilton College in Clinton, New York.
By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mr. Sanders), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Res. 479—A resolution commemorating the dedication of the Strategic Air Command Memorial during the 20th anniversary of its stand down.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Res. 480—A resolution commemorating the 20th anniversary of United States Strategic Command.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Res. 481—A resolution celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the United States-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and the vitality of the overall bilateral relationship.
By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Webb, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Cochran, and Mr. Inouye), [5JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5JN]

S. Res. 482—A resolution celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States Chamber of Commerce; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Chambliss, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Moran, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, and Mr. Johanns), [6JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN]

S. Res. 483—A resolution commending efforts to promote and enhance public safety on the need for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing bonding; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Ms. Ayotte), [6JN]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [17JY]

S. Res. 484—A resolution designating June 7, 2012, as ''National Hunger Awareness Day''.
By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Casey, Mr. Moran, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Leahy), [6JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [6JN]

S. Res. 485—A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of Common Cause, et al. v. Joseph R. Biden, et al.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [6JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [6JN]

S. Res. 486—A resolution condemning the PKK and expressing solidarity with Turkey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. McCain, Mrs. Shaheen, and Mr. Rubio), [7JN]

S. Res. 487—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the ambush marketing adversely affects Team USA and the Olympic and Paralympic Movements and should not be condoned; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Isakson), [7JN]
Cosponsors added, [11JY]

S. Res. 488—A resolution commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Ayotte), [7JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [7JN]

S. Res. 489—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the appointment by the Attorney General of an outside special counsel to investigate certain recent leaks of apparently classified and highly sensitive information on United States military and intelligence plans, programs, and operations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Portman, Ms. Collins, Mr. Graham, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Burr, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Paul, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Rubio, and Mr. Hoeven), [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [13JN], [14JN], [19JN], [20JN], [25JN]

S. Res. 490—A resolution designating the week of September 16, 2012, as ''Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week'', reaffirming the importance of an enhanced and coordinated research effort on mitochondrial diseases, and commending the National Institutes of Health for its efforts to improve the understanding of mitochondrial diseases; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mrs. BOXER, [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [14JN], [20JN], [25JN], [27JN], [16JY], [18JY], [31JY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [15NO]

S. Res. 491—A resolution commending the participants in the 44th International Chemistry Olympiad and recognizing the importance of education in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to the future of the United States.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Boozman, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Alexander, and Ms. Murkowski), [12JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12JN]

S. Res. 492—A resolution designating June 15, 2012, as ''World Elder Abuse Awareness Day''.
By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [12JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12JN]
Cosponsors added, [13JN], [14JN]

S. Res. 493—A resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Wyden), [14JN]
Cosponsors added, [21JN]

S. Res. 494—A resolution condemning the Government of the Russian Federation for providing weapons to the regime of President Bashar al-Assad of Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. Durbin, Ms. Ayotte, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Risch, and Mr. Menendez), [14JN]
Cosponsors added, [18JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN], [19JY], [23JY]

S. Res. 495—A resolution designating the period beginning on June 17, 2012, and ending on June 23, 2012, as ''Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week'', and raising awareness and understanding of polycystic kidney disease and the impact such disease has on patients.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. Hatch), [18JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [18JN]

S. Res. 496—A resolution observing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day.
By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Boxer, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Begich, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Casey, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Schumer), [19JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19JN]
Cosponsors added, [20JN], [26JN]

S. Res. 497—A resolution congratulating the Los Angeles Kings on winning the 2012 Stanley Cup Championship.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. Boxer), [19JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19JN]

S. Res. 498—A resolution designating June 20, 2012, as ''American Eagle Day'', and celebrating the recovery and restoration of the bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States.
By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Coons, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Corker, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cardin, and Mr. Sessions), [19JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19JN]

S. Res. 499—A resolution recognizing the tenth anniversary of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering.
By Mr. BURR (for himself and Ms. Mikulski), [19JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19JN]

S. Res. 500—A resolution celebrating the accomplishments of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, and recognizing the need to continue pursuing the goal of equal educational opportunities for all women and girls.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Casey, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Coons, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Collins, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Isakson, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Ayotte, Mrs. McCaskill, and Ms. Klobuchar), [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [20JN]

S. Res. 501—A resolution supporting National Men's Health Week.
By Mr. CRAPO, [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [20JN]

S. Res. 502—A resolution celebrating the 150th anniversary of the signing of the First Morrill Act.
By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Graham, Mr. Levin, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Landrieu, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Bennet, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Moran, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Schumer, and Mr. Pryor), [20JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [20JN]

S. Res. 503—A resolution designating June 2012 as ''National Aphasia Awareness Month'' and supporting efforts to increase awareness of aphasia.
By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself and Mr. Kirk), [25JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [25JN]

S. Res. 504—A resolution expressing support for the International Olympic Committee to recognize with a minute of silence at the 2012 Olympics Opening Ceremony the athletes and others killed at the 1972 Munich Olympics.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Risch, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Levin, Mr. Begich, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Lee, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Barrasso, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Blunt, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Boozman), [25JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [25JN]

S. Res. 505—A resolution congratulating His Holiness Dorje Chang Buddha III and The Honorable Benjamin A. Gilman on being awarded the 2010 World Peace Prize; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [26JN]

S. Res. 506—A resolution to authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler.
By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [26JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 507—A resolution congratulating the Miami Heat for winning the National Basketball Association Championship.
By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [26JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 508—A resolution recognizing the teams and players of Negro League Baseball for their achievements, dedication, sacrifices, and contributions to baseball and the Nation.
By Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Mrs. McCaskill, and Mr. Nelson of Florida), [26JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 509—A resolution recognizing Major League Baseball as an important part of the cultural history of American society, celebrating the 2012 Major League Baseball All-Star Game, and honoring Kansas City, Missouri, as the host city of the 83rd All-Star Game.
By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. McCaskill), [26JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 510—A resolution designating the month of June 2012 as ''National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month''.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Ms. Murkowski), [26JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JN]

S. Res. 511—A resolution commending the Pacific Lutheran University Lutes Softball Team for winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Softball Championship.
By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. Murray), [27JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [27JN]

S. Res. 512—A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of Rice University.
By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. Cornyn), [27JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [27JN]

S. Res. 513—A resolution recognizing the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812, which was fought between the United States of America and Great Britain beginning on June 18, 1812, in response to British violations of neutral rights of the United States, seizure of ships of the United States, restriction of trade between the United States and other countries, and the impressment of sailors of the United States into the Royal Navy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND, [28JN]
Cosponsors added, [10JY]

S. Res. 514—A resolution commemorating the victory of Loyola University Maryland in the 2012 NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse National Championship.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. Mikulski), [28JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [28JN]

S. Res. 515—A resolution honoring Catholic Sisters for their contributions to the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Ms. Collins, Ms. Landrieu, Ms. Snowe, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Boxer, Ms. Cantwell, Mrs. Murray, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Klobuchar, Mrs. Shaheen, Mrs. Gillibrand, and Mrs. McCaskill), [28JN]

S. Res. 516—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the restitution of or compensation for property seized during the Nazi and Communist eras; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. Brown of Ohio), [29JN]
Cosponsors added, [9JY]
Reported (no written report), [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]

S. Res. 517—A resolution congratulating the Northwestern Wildcats Women's Lacrosse Team on winning the 2012 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. Kirk), [29JN]

S. Res. 518—A resolution congratulating the Southern Baptist Convention for election Reverend Fred Luter, Jr., as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, acknowledging Reverend Luter's unique role as the first African-American leader of the Southern Baptist Convention, and honoring the commitment of the Southern Baptist Convention to an inclusive faith-based community and society; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Ms. LANDRIEU, [29JN]
Cosponsors added, [27NO], [29NO]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [30NO]

S. Res. 519—A resolution designating October 30, 2012, as a national day of remembrance for nuclear weapons program workers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Corker, Mr. Crapo, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [16JY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 520—A resolution commending the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 103rd anniversary.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. Grassley), [16JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16JY]

S. Res. 521—A resolution designating September 2012 as ''National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month''.
By Mr. RUBIO, [16JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16JY]

S. Res. 522—A resolution designating September 2012 as ''National Child Awareness Month'' to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States.
By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Coburn, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Casey, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Sanders), [16JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16JY]

S. Res. 523—A resolution recognizing the heroic efforts of firefighters and military personnel in the United States to contain numerous wildfires that have affected tens of thousands of people.
By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Bennet, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Heller, Mr. McCain, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Thune, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Tester, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Levin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Sessions, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Johanns), [16JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [16JY]

S. Res. 524—A resolution reaffirming the strong support of the United States for the 2002 declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among the member states of ASEAN and the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Webb, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Lieberman, and Mr. McCain), [23JY]
Cosponsors added, [31JY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [2AU]

S. Res. 525—A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Oswaldo Paya Sardinas; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. Menendez, and Mr. Rubio), [24JY]
Cosponsors added, [25JY], [30JY]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [31JY]

S. Res. 526—A resolution designating November 2012 as ''Stomach Cancer Awareness Month'' and supporting efforts to educate the public about stomach cancer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Brown of Massachusetts), [24JY]

S. Res. 527—A resolution designating August 16, 2012, as ''National Airborne Day''.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Reed, Mr. Begich, Mr. Reid, Mr. Corker, Mr. Inhofe, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Cochran, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Tester, Mr. Inouye, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Collins, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Burr, Mrs. Hagan, and Mr. McConnell), [24JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24JY]

S. Res. 528—A resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of the American Podiatric Medical Association, the preeminent organization representing podiatric medicine and surgery, celebrating its achievements, and encouraging the association to continue providing guidance on foot and ankle health issues to the people of the United States and of the world.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. Chambliss), [24JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [24JY]

S. Res. 529—A resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Cardin), [26JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

S. Res. 530—A resolution designating the month of August 2012 as ''National Registered Apprenticeship Month''.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Pryor, and Ms. Cantwell), [26JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

S. Res. 531—A resolution commemorating the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and supporting Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Merkley), [26JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

S. Res. 532—A resolution expressing support for the XIX International AIDS Conference and the sense of the Senate that continued commitment by the United States to HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs is crucial to protecting global health.
By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Leahy, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Landrieu, and Mr. Kohl), [26JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

S. Res. 533—A resolution designating October 2012 as ''National Work and Family Month''.
By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Casey, Mr. Blumenthal, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Kohl), [30JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [30JY]

S. Res. 534—A resolution congratulating the Navy Dental Corps on its 100th anniversary; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. MANCHIN, [31JY]

S. Res. 535—A resolution recognizing the goals and ideals of the Movement is Life Caucus; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Chambliss), [1AU]

S. Res. 536—A resolution designating September 9, 2012, as ''National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day''.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mr. Begich), [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 537—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Blumenthal, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Tester, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, and Ms. Murkowski), [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 538—A resolution designating September 2012 as ''National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month''.
By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Tester, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Moran, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Murkowski, and Mrs. Feinstein), [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 539—A resolution designating October 13, 2012, as ''National Chess Day''.
By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Levin), [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 540—A resolution designating the week of August 6 through August 10, 2012, as ''National Convenient Care Clinic Week''.
By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. Cochran), [1AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [1AU]

S. Res. 541—A resolution condemning the Government of Vietnam for human rights violations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Durbin), [2AU]

S. Res. 542—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States Government should continue to support democracy and human rights in Taiwan following the January 2012 presidential and legislative elections in Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. Begich), [2AU]

S. Res. 543—A resolution to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Gillibrand, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Merkley, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Leahy, and Mr. Kirk), [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE], [11SE], [13SE], [19SE], [20SE], [21SE], [13NO]
Reported with amendment (no written report), [19SE]

Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate amended, [4DE]

S. Res. 544—A resolution congratulating the Navy Dental Corps on its 100th anniversary.
By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. Coburn), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]

S. Res. 545—A resolution commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Air Force Weather.
By Mr. JOHANNS (for himself and Mr. Nelson of Nebraska), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]

S. Res. 546—A resolution designating the week of September 10, 2012, as ''National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week''.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Ms. Murkowski, and Mr. Enzi), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]
Cosponsors added, [10SE]

S. Res. 547—A resolution honoring the life of pioneering astronaut Dr. Sally Ride and expressing the condolences of the Senate on her death.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Coons), [2AU]
Agreed to in the Senate, [2AU]

S. Res. 548—A resolution designating the week beginning September 9, 2012, as ''National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week''.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Ms. Collins), [11SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [11SE]

S. Res. 549—A resolution designating September 2012 as ''Campus Fire Safety Month''.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Ms. Collins), [11SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [11SE]

S. Res. 550—A resolution designating September 13, 2012, as ''National Celiac Disease Awareness Day''.
By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. Inhofe), [11SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [11SE]

S. Res. 551—A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, including Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi.
By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [12SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12SE]

S. Res. 552—A resolution recognizing the month of October 2012 as ''National Principals Month''.
By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Warner, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Begich, Mr. Webb, and Mr. Levin), [12SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12SE]

S. Res. 553—A resolution designating September 22, 2012, as ''National Falls Prevention Awareness Day'' to raise awareness and encourage the prevention of falls among older adults.
By Mr. KOHL (for himself, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Collins, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Casey), [12SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [12SE]

S. Res. 554—A resolution calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to facilitate the immediate and unconditional release of Gao Zhisheng, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. Cornyn), [13SE]

S. Res. 555—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of ''National Save for Retirement Week'', including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Enzi, and Mr. Cardin), [13SE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 556—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that foreign assistance funding to the Governments of Libya and Egypt should be suspended until the President certifies to Congress that both governments are providing proper security at United States embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. INHOFE, [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]

S. Res. 557—A resolution honoring the contributions of Lodi Gyaltsen Gyari as Special Envoy of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and in promoting the legitimate rights and aspirations of the Tibetan people; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. Lugar, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Kirk, Mr. McCain, and Mrs. Boxer), [13SE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 558—A resolution congratulating the athletes from the State of Nevada and throughout the United States who participated in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games as members of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. REID, [13SE]
Cosponsors added, [19SE]
Considered, [21SE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 559—A resolution honoring Rear Admiral Jonathan W. Bailey for his lifetime of selfless commitment and exemplary service to the United States; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [19SE]

S. Res. 560—A resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Maryland Campaign during the Civil War; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. Mikulski), [19SE]

S. Res. 561—A resolution recognizing National Native American Heritage Month and celebrating the heritages and cultures of Native Americans and the contributions of Native Americans to the United States; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.
By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Ms. Murkowski, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Tester, Mr. Franken, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, and Mr. Johanns), [19SE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 562—A resolution designating the week beginning on September 10, 2012 and ending on September 14, 2012 as ''National Health Information Technology Week'' to recognize the value of health information technology in improving health quality.
By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 563—A resolution designating December 3, 2012, as ''National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day''.
By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. Kerry), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 564—A resolution designating the month of October 2012 as ''National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month''.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Portman, Mr. Coons, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Durbin, and Mr. Casey), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 565—A resolution expressing support for the designation of October 20, 2012, as the ''National Day on Writing''.
By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mr. Akaka), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 566—A resolution designating September 29, 2012, as ''National Estuaries Day''.
By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Blumenthal, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Cardin, Ms. Collins, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Kerry, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Lieberman, Ms. Mikulski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Reed, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wyden, and Mr. Menendez), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 567—A resolution honoring the life and career of George Hickman.
By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. Murray), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 568—A resolution designating the week beginning September 16, 2012, as ''National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week''.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Reid, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Heller, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Bennet, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Coons, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mrs. Feinstein), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 569—A resolution designating the week beginning October 21, 2012, as ''National Character Counts Week''.
By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Blunt, Ms. Landrieu, and Ms. Stabenow), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 570—A resolution designating November 8, 2012, as ''National Parents as Teachers Day''.
By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. Murray), [19SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [19SE]

S. Res. 571—A resolution congratulating the Nunaka Valley Little League Junior girls softball team on winning the 2012 Little League Junior Softball World Series; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. Murkowski), [20SE]

S. Res. 572—A resolution designating September 2012 as the ''National Month of Voter Registration''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Merkley, and Mr. Tester), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]

S. Res. 573—A resolution designating the third week of January 2013, as ''Teen Cancer Awareness Week''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. Toomey), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5DE]

S. Res. 574—A resolution calling on the United Nations to take concerted actions against leaders in Iran for their statements calling for the destruction of another United Nations Member State, Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Ms. Ayotte, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Moran, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Begich, and Mr. Johanns), [20SE]
Cosponsors added, [21SE], [13NO], [18DE]

S. Res. 575—A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people, and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
By Mr. LUGAR (for himself and Mr. Kerry), [21SE]

S. Res. 576—A resolution celebrating the 50th anniversary of the signing of Public Law 87—788, an Act commonly known as the McIntire—Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act.
By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mr. Wicker, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Snowe), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 577—A resolution honoring the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II.
By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Tester, and Ms. Murkowski), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 578—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Red Ribbon Week, 2012.
By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Moran, and Mr. Begich), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 579—A resolution designating the week of September 24 through September 28, 2012, as ''National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week''.
By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Isakson, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Manchin, Mrs. McCaskill, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Levin, and Mr. Cardin), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 580—A resolution designating the week beginning on October 14, 2012, as ''National Wildlife Refuge Week''.
By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Snowe, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Reed, Mr. Cochran, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Leahy, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Blumenthal, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Bingaman, and Ms. Collins), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 581—A resolution designating October 26, 2012, as ''Day of the Deployed''.
By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Blunt), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 582—A resolution recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States.
By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. Reid, Mr. Cornyn, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Begich, Mr. Heller, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Rubio, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Casey, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Reed, Mr. Bingaman, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Warner, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, and Mrs. Feinstein), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 583—A resolution designating September 2012 as ''National Preparedness Month''.
By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. Collins, and Ms. Landrieu), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 584—A resolution designating October 4, 2012, as ''Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day''.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Begich, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Bennet, and Mr. Cochran), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 585—A resolution recognizing the extraordinary history and heritage of the State of New Mexico, and honoring and commending the State of New Mexico and its people on its centennial anniversary.
By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself and Mr. Udall of New Mexico), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 586—A resolution expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Infant Mortality Awareness Month, 2012.
By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. Burr, and Mr. Menendez), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 587—A resolution supporting ''Lights on Afterschool'', a national celebration of afterschool programs.
By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Whitehouse), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 588—A resolution commending the 4 American public servants who died in Benghazi, Libya, United States Ambassador to Libya John Christopher Stevens, Sean Smith, Tyrone Woods, and Glen Doherty, for their tireless efforts on behalf of the American people, and condemning the violent attack on the United States consulate in Benghazi.
By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 589—A resolution designating November 24, 2012, as ''Small Business Saturday'' and supporting efforts to increase awareness of the value of locally owned small businesses.
By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Risch, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Lieberman, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Whitehouse, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Coons, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Begich, Mr. Portman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Menendez, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Levin, Mr. Warner, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Tester, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Thune, Mr. Chambliss, Mrs. Boxer, and Mr. Bennet), [21SE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [21SE]

S. Res. 590—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of ''Children's Grief Awareness Day''; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Mr. CASEY, [13NO]

S. Res. 591—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Raymond Weeks and his efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day.
By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. Shelby), [13NO]
Agreed to in the Senate, [13NO]

S. Res. 592—A resolution recognizing the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
By Mr. WARNER (for himself and Mr. Cornyn), [14NO]

S. Res. 593—A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should leave no member of the Armed Forces unaccounted for in the withdrawal of forces from Afghanistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.
By Mr. TOOMEY, [14NO]

S. Res. 594—A resolution establishing a select committee of the Senate to make a thorough and complete investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding, and the response of the United States Government to, the September 11, 2012, terrorist attacks against the United States consulate and personnel in Benghazi, Libya, and to make recommendations to prevent similar attacks in the future; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
By Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. Graham, and Ms. Ayotte), [14NO]

S. Res. 595—A resolution expressing support for the goals of National Adoption Day and National Adoption Month by promoting national awareness of adoption and the children awaiting families, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging the people of the United States to secure safety, permanency, and well-being for all children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. Inhofe), [14NO]
Cosponsors added, [15NO], [29NO], [5DE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [5DE]

S. Res. 596—A resolution permitting the solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for the relief of victims of Superstorm Sandy.
By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Coons, Mr. Carper, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Reed, Mr. Warner, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Leahy, and Mr. Enzi), [14NO]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14NO]

S. Res. 597—A resolution to permit the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings.
By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mr. Burr), [15NO]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15NO]

S. Res. 598—A resolution commending and congratulating the San Francisco Giants for winning the 2012 World Series.
By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. Boxer), [15NO]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15NO]

S. Res. 599—A resolution expressing vigorous support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and recognizing and strongly supporting its right to act in self-defense to protect its citizens against acts of terrorism.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Rubio, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Risch, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Wicker, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Moran, Mr. Coons, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Warner, Mr. Hoeven, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Coats, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Ms. Collins, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Graham, Mr. Casey, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Corker, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cornyn, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Burr, Mr. Franken, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Heller, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Manchin, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Thune, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Portman, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Tester, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Kohl, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Begich, Mr. Reed, Mrs. Hutchison, and Mr. Levin), [15NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [15NO]

Cosponsors added, [27NO]

S. Res. 600—A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of American Diabetes Month; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Lautenberg, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Akaka, and Mr. Tester), [26NO]

Cosponsors added, [28NO]

Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate amended, [29NO]

S. Res. 601—A resolution commending the people of Albania on the 100th anniversary of the declaration of their independence from the Turkish Ottoman Empire on November 28, 1912, and commending Albanians in Albania and Kosovo for protecting and saving the lives of all Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCHUMER, [27NO]

S. Res. 602—A resolution designating 2012–2013 as the ''Year of the Korean War Veteran'' and recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Korean War.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Udall of Colorado, and Mr. Chambliss), [27NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [27NO]

Cosponsors added, [28NO]

S. Res. 603—A resolution designating the week of November 26 through November 30, 2012, as National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week.

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. Alexander), [29NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [29NO]

S. Res. 604—A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Warren B. Rudman, former United States Senator for the State of New Hampshire.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [29NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [29NO]

S. Res. 605—A resolution designating the week beginning November 26, 2012, as ''National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week''.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Levin, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Begich, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Tester, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Akaka, and Ms. Murkowski), [30NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [30NO]

S. Res. 606—A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, on December 1, 1812.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [30NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [30NO]

S. Res. 607—A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable George McGovern, former United States Senator and Congressman from the State of South Dakota.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (for himself, Mr. Thune, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [30NO]

Agreed to in the Senate, [30NO]

S. Res. 608—A resolution supporting the establishment of a President's Youth Council; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Begich, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Bingaman, and Ms. Murkowski), [4DE]

S. Res. 609—A resolution calling for the immediate and unconditional release of United States citizen Alan Phillip Gross from detention in Cuba and urging the Government of Cuba to address his medical issues.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Lugar, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Heller, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Wyden, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Casey, Mr. Warner, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Portman, Mr. Coons, Mr. Toomey, and Mr. Reed), [5DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [5DE]

S. Res. 610—A resolution commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Graduate Research Fellowship Program of the National Science Foundation.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mrs. Hutchison), [5DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [5DE]

S. Res. 611—A resolution designating December 15, 2012, as ''Wreaths Across America Day'' .

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. Snowe), [6DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [6DE]

S. Res. 612—A resolution honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Arlen Specter, distinguished former Senator for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [10DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [10DE]

S. Res. 613—A resolution urging the governments of Europe and the European Union to designate Hizballah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, and urging the President to provide information about Hizballah to the European allies of the United States and to support to the Government of Bulgaria in investigating the July 18, 2012, terrorist attack in Burgas; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. Casey, Mr. Risch, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Rubio, Mrs. Feinstein, Ms. Collins, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Wicker, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Inhofe, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Kirk, Mr. Tester, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Kyl, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Burr, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Coons, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Franken, Ms. Ayotte, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Coats, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Lee, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Portman, Mr. Begich, Mr. McCain, Mr. Carper, Mr. Thune, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Enzi, and Mr. Johnson of South Dakota), [11DE]

Cosponsors added, [13DE], [18DE], [19DE]

Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [21DE]

S. Res. 614—A resolution celebrating the World Peace Corps Mission and the World Peace Prize.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Ms. Snowe), [12DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [12DE]

S. Res. 615—A resolution congratulating the recipients of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mrs. Hagan), [12DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [12DE]

S. Res. 616—A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [13DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [13DE]

S. Res. 617—A resolution congratulating the recipient of the 2012 Heisman Memorial Trophy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. Cornyn), [13DE]

Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [20DE]

S. Res. 618—A resolution observing the 100th birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and commemorating her legacy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Ms. Stabenow, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Cornyn, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Kerry, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Reid, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Kohl, Ms. Cantwell, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Coons, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Cardin, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Casey, Mr. Begich, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Warner, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Corker, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Franken, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Reed, and Mrs. Shaheen), [13DE]

Cosponsors added, [18DE], [19DE], [20DE], [28DE]

Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [19DE]

S. Res. 619—A resolution to elect Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [17DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [17DE]

S. Res. 620—A resolution to authorize Harry Reid, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to administer the oath of office of President of the Senate pro tempore to Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont.

By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself and Mr. Durbin), [17DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [17DE]

S. Res. 621—A resolution condemning the horrific attacks in Newtown, Connecticut, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by that tragedy.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [17DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [17DE]

S. Res. 622—A resolution notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [18DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [18DE]

S. Res. 623—A resolution notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. McConnell), [18DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [18DE]

S. Res. 624—A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel Ken Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. Reid, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Ayotte, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Boozman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown of Massachusetts, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Burr, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coats, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coons, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Enzi, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Hagan, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hoeven, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Kirk, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kohl, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Manchin, Mr. McCain, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Merkley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Moran, Ms. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Paul, Mr. Portman, Mr. Pryor, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Sessions, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Shelby, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Stabenow, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Warner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, and Mr. Wyden), [18DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [18DE]

S. Res. 625—A resolution recognizing the January 12, 2013, opening of the United States Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center at the National World War II Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana, and supporing plans for other educational pavillions and initiatives.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. Vitter), [19DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [19DE]

S. Res. 626—A resolution designating April 24, 2014, as ''Jan Karski Day''; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUGAR, [20DE]

S. Res. 627—A resolution designating the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. REID, [20DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [20DE]

S. Res. 628—A resolution expressing the deep disappointment of the Senate in the enactment by the Russian Government of a law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by United States citizens and urging the Russia Government to reconsider the law and prioritize the processing of inter-country adoptions involving parentless Russian children who were already matched with United States families before the enactment of the law.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. Blunt, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Durbin, Mrs. McCaskill, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Warner, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Grassley, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Lugar, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Menendez), [31DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [31DE]

S. Res. 629—A resolution to authorize the production of records by the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. Pryor), [31DE]

Agreed to in the Senate, [31DE]

S. Res. 630—A resolution congratulating the Navy and the current and former officers and crew of the *U.S.S. Enterprise* (CVN 65) on completion of the 26th and final deployment of the vessel.

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. Webb, Mr. McCain, and Mr. Wicker), [2JA]

Agreed to in the Senate, [2JA]

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1—A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011, and for other purposes.
Read the first time, [28FE]
Read the second time, [1MR]
Placed on the calendar, [1MR]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [13DE]
Considered, [17DE], [18DE], [19DE], [20DE], [21DE], [27DE]
Senate invoked cloture, [21DE]
Passed Senate amended, [28DE]
Title amended, [28DE]

H.R. 5—A bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.
Passed House amended, [22MR]
Received in Senate, [22MR]
Read the first time, [22MR]
Read the second time, [26MR]
Placed on the calendar, [26MR]
Senate agreed to House request to return papers, [27MR]
Received in Senate, read the first time, [29MR]
Read the second time, [16AP]
Placed on the calendar, [16AP]

H.R. 8—A bill to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate, [10SE]
Read the first time, [10SE]
Read the second time, [11SE]
Placed on the calendar, [11SE]
Passed Senate amended, [31DE]
House consideration of Senate amendments, [1JA]
House agreed to Senate amendments, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–240] (signed January 2, 2013)

H.R. 9—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses.
Passed House amended, [19AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [23AP]

H.R. 33—A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act.
Received in Senate, referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [19JY] (2011)
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21JN]
Presented to the President (June 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–142] (signed July 9, 2012)

H.R. 205—A bill to amend the Act titled ''An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases'', approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [16MY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [17JY]
Presented to the President (July 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–151] (signed July 30, 2012)

H.R. 241—A bill to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [6JN]

H.R. 290—A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [24JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [26JA]

H.R. 298—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the ''Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–107] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 306—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge.
Passed House amended, [6FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [7FE]
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged, [21MR]
Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [21MR]

H.R. 316—A bill for the relief of Esther Karinge.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 347—A bill to correct and simplify the drafting of section 1752 (relating to restricted buildings or grounds) of title 18, United States Code.
Passed Senate amended, [6FE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [27FE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [27FE]
Presented to the President (March 1, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–98] (signed March 8, 2012)

H.R. 357—A bill for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 365—A bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate, [16MY]

H.R. 406—A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate.
Passed House, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration, [11SE]

H.R. 436—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices.
Passed House amended, [7JN]
Received in Senate, [11JN]
Read the first time, [11JN]
Read the second time, [12JN]
Placed on the calendar, [12JN]

H.R. 440—A bill to provide for the establishment of the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia.
Read the second time, [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]

H.R. 441—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]

H.R. 443—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]
Placed on the calendar, [13DE]
Passed Senate amended, [20DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [31DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–263] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 459—A bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States before the end of 2012, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [25JY]
Received in Senate, [2JY]
Placed on the calendar, [1JA]

H.R. 461—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]

H.R. 473—A bill to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [15MR]
Presented to the President (March 22, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–103] (signed April 2, 2012)

H.R. 491—A bill to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [24AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [25AP]

H.R. 538—A bill to require the establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [12SE]

H.R. 588—A bill to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1FE]
Presented to the President (February 6, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–94] (signed February 14, 2012)

H.R. 658—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes.
House disagreed to Senate amendment and agreed to a conference. Conferees appointed, [31JA]
Conference report (H. Rept. 112–381) submitted in the House, [1FE]
Conference report agreed to in the House, [3FE]
Conference report agreed to in the Senate, [6FE]
Presented to the President (February 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–95] (signed February 14, 2012)

H.R. 665—A bill to establish a pilot program for the expedited disposal of Federal real property.
Passed House amended, [20MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [21MR]

H.R. 794—A bill for the relief of Allan Bolor Kelley.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 823—A bill for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 824—A bill for the relief of Daniel Wachira.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 828—A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment.
Passed House amended, [31JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [1AU]

H.R. 886—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [15MR]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [21MR]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [21MR]
Presented to the President (March 23, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–104] (signed April 2, 2012)

H.R. 897—A bill to provide authority and sanction for the granting and issuance of programs for residential and commuter toll, user fee and fare discounts by States, municipalities, other localities, and all related agencies and departments, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [2AU]

H.R. 915—A bill to establish a Border Enforcement Security Task Force program to enhance border security by fostering coordinated efforts among Federal, State, and local border and law enforcement officials to protect United States border cities and communities from trans-national crime, including violence associated with drug trafficking, arms smuggling, illegal alien trafficking and smuggling, violence, and kidnapping along and across the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [4JN]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Placed on the calendar, [10SE]
Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [27NO]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [27NO]
Presented to the President (November 30, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–205] (signed December 7, 2012)

H.R. 1016—A bill to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, and for other purposes.
Reported (no written report), [26AP]
Placed on the calendar, [26AP]

H.R. 1021—A bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [19AP]

H.R. 1022—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [25JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [26JA]

H.R. 1038—A bill to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960.
Passed House amended, [25AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [26AP]

H.R. 1059—A bill to protect the safety of judges by extending the authority of the Judicial Conference to redact sensitive information contained in their financial disclosure reports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Approved [Public Law 112–84] (signed January 3, 2012)

H.R. 1141—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System.
Passed House, [23JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [24JA]

H.R. 1160—A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
Placed on the calendar, [19JY]

H.R. 1162—A bill to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [6FE]
Received in Senate, [7FE]
Passed Senate, [13FE]
Presented to the President (February 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–97] (signed February 27, 2012)

H.R. 1171—A bill to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [2AU]

H.R. 1173—A bill to repeal the CLASS Program.
Passed House amended, [1FE]
Received in Senate, [2FE]
Read the first time, [27FE]
Read the second time, [28FE]
Placed on the calendar, [28FE]

H.R. 1237—A bill to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [24JY]

H.R. 1264—A bill to designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the ''M.D. Anderson Plaza'' and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
Approved [Public Law 112–85] (signed January 3, 2012)

H.R. 1272—A bill to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [18JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [19JN]
Reported (no written report), [1AU]
Placed on the calendar, [1AU]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–179] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 1299—A bill to achieve operational control of and improve security at the international land borders of the United States, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [4JN]

H.R. 1339—A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States.
Passed House amended, [28MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Armed Services, [29MR]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–241] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 1369—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1021 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, as the ''Warren Lindley Post Office''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–156] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 1402—A bill to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the House of Representatives at no net cost to the Federal Government.
Passed House amended, [2AU]
Received in Senate and passed, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–170] (signed August 16, 2012)

H.R. 1410—A bill to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [12SE]

H.R. 1423—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the ''Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–108] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 1433—A bill to protect private property rights.
Passed House amended, [28FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [29FE]

H.R. 1447—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to establish an Aviation Security Advisory Committee, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [29JN]

H.R. 1464—A bill to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [12SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [28DE]
House agreed to Senate amendments, [1JA]
Title amended, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–264] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 1509—A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to prohibit the inclusion of Social Security account numbers on Medicare cards.
Passed House amended, [20DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [21DE]

H.R. 1550—A bill to establish programs in the Department of Justice and in the Department of Homeland Security to help States that have high rates of homicide and other violent crime, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 1556—A bill to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [18JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [19JN]

H.R. 1560—A bill to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.
Reported (no written report), [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]
Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–157] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 1627—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements for the placement of monuments in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [18JY]
House agreed to Senate amendments, [31JY]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–154] (signed August 6, 2012)

H.R. 1734—A bill to decrease the deficit by realigning, consolidating, selling, disposing, and improving the efficiency of Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [7FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [9FE]

H.R. 1791—A bill to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the ''Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse''.
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs discharged, [24JA]
Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [24JA]
Reported (no written report), [10JY]
Placed on the calendar, [10JY]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–180] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 1815—A bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Lena Horne in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement.
Passed House, [17AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [18AP]

H.R. 1837—A bill to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [29FE]
Received in Senate, [1MR]
Read the first time, [2MR]
Read the second time, [5MR]
Placed on the calendar, [5MR]

H.R. 1845—A bill to provide for a study on issues relating to access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for Medicare beneficiaries in all care settings and a demonstration project to examine the benefits of providing coverage and payment for items and services necessary to administer IVIG in the home.
Passed House amended, [19DE]
Received in Senate, [20DE]
Passed Senate, [21DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–242] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 1857—A bill for the relief of Bartosz Kumor.
Passed House, [4DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [5DE]

H.R. 1864—A bill to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [16MY]

H.R. 1905—A bill to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21MY]
House agreed to Senate amendment with amendment (pursuant to H. Res. 750), [1AU]
Senate agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–158] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 1950—A bill to enact title 54, United States Code, ''National Park System'', as positive law.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 2050—A bill to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [26AP]
Received in Senate, [7MY]
Read the first time, [7MY]
Read the second time, [8MY]
Placed on the calendar, [8MY]

H.R. 2056—A bill to instruct the Inspector General of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to study the impact of insured depository institution failures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.
Approved [Public Law 112–88] (signed January 3, 2012)

H.R. 2060—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [6JN]

H.R. 2070—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.
Passed House amended, [24JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [26JA]

H.R. 2072—A bill to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and for other purposes.
Rules suspended. Passed House amended, [9MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [9MY]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [10MY], [14MY], [15MY]
Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [15MY]
Passed Senate, [15MY]
Presented to the President (May 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–122] (signed May 30, 2012)

H.R. 2076—A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the statutory authority for the longstanding practice of the Department of Justice of providing investigatory assistance on request of State and local authorities with respect to certain serious violent crimes, and for other purposes.
Passed Senate amended, [17DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [31DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–265] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 2079—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the ''John J. Cook Post Office''.
Passed House, [15FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [16FE]
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–109] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2087—A bill to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia.
Passed House amended, [20MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [21MR]

H.R. 2096—A bill to advance cybersecurity research, development, and technical standards, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [27AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [7MY]

H.R. 2117—A bill to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965.
Passed House amended, [28FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, [29FE]

H.R. 2139—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Lions Clubs International.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate, [11SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–181] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 2146—A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to require accountability and transparency in Federal spending, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [25AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [26AP]

H.R. 2157—A bill to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [24AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [25AP]

H.R. 2213—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 801 West Eastport Street in Iuka, Mississippi, as the ''Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office''.

Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–110] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2240—A bill to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [26AP]
Received in Senate, [7MY]
Placed on the calendar, [8MY]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–182] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 2244—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 67 Castle Street in Geneva, New York, as the ''Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–111] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2297—A bill to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.
Reported (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]
Placed on the calendar, [29MR]
Passed Senate amended, [29MR]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [26JN]
Presented to the President (June 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–143] (signed July 9, 2012)

H.R. 2336—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [6JN]

H.R. 2338—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the ''Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–243] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 2415—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the ''Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building''.
Reported (no written report), [16MY]
Placed on the calendar, [16MY]
Passed Senate, [17MY]
Presented to the President (May 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–124] (signed June 5, 2012)

H.R. 2422—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45 Bay Street, Suite 2, in Staten Island, New York, as the ''Sergeant Angel Mendez Post Office''; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
Approved [Public Law 112–89] (signed January 3, 2012)

H.R. 2446—A bill to clarify the treatment of homeowner warranties under current law, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [2AU]

H.R. 2453—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.
Passed House amended, [18AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [19AP]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
House consideration of Senate amendments, [14NO]
House agreed to Senate amendments, [15NO]
Presented to the President (November 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–201] (signed December 4, 2012)

H.R. 2467—A bill to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.
Passed House amended, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [24JY]
Reported (no written report), [21SE]
Placed on the calendar, [21SE]
Passed Senate, [11DE]
Presented to the President (December 13, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–212] (signed December 20, 2012)

H.R. 2471—A bill to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–258), [29NO]
Placed on the calendar, [29NO]

H.R. 2489—A bill to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [11SE]

H.R. 2512—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [6JN]

H.R. 2527—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.
Passed Senate amended, [12JY]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [19JY]
Presented to the President (July 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–152] (signed August 3, 2012)

H.R. 2578—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [20JN]

H.R. 2606—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [7FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [9FE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [14NO]
Presented to the President (November 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–197] (signed November 27, 2012)

H.R. 2621—A bill to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [16MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [17MY]

H.R. 2660—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the ''Tomball Veterans Post Office''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–112] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2668—A bill to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the ''Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station''.
Reported (no written report), [7MY]
Placed on the calendar, [7MY]
Passed Senate, [8MY]
Presented to the President (May 14, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–113] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2682—A bill to provide end user exemptions from certain provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [26MR]
Received in Senate, [27MR]
Read the first time, [27MR]
Read the second time, [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]

H.R. 2706—A bill to prohibit the sale of billfish.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate, [11SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–183] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 2745—A bill to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a mulitspecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada.
Passed House amended, [16MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [17MY]

H.R. 2764—A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish weapons of mass destruction intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [4JN]

H.R. 2767—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the ''William T. Trant Post Office Building''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–114] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 2779—A bill to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.
Passed House amended, [26MR]
Received in Senate, [27MR]
Read the first time, [27MR]
Read the second time, [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]

H.R. 2800—A bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]

H.R. 2827—A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to clarify provisions relating to the regulation of municipal advisors, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 2838—A bill to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 through 2015, and for other purposes.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21SE]
Senate agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment, [12DE]
Presented to the President (December 14, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–213] (signed December 20, 2012)

H.R. 2842—A bill to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes.

Passed House, [7MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [8MR]

H.R. 2845—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide for enhanced safety and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, to provide for enhanced reliability in the transportation of the Nation's energy products by pipeline, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
Approved [Public Law 112–90] (signed January 3, 2012)

H.R. 2896—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the ''Judge Shirley A. Tolentino Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]

H.R. 2903—A bill to reauthorize the programs and activities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [20SE]

H.R. 2938—A bill to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona.
Passed House amended, [19JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [20JN]

H.R. 2947—A bill to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.
Passed House, [24AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [25AP]
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged, [16MY]
Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, [16MY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [24MY]
Presented to the President (May 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–129] (signed June 8, 2012)

H.R. 3001—A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.
Passed House, [16AP]
Received in Senate, [17AP]
Passed Senate, [11JY]
Presented to the President (July 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–148] (signed July 26, 2012)

H.R. 3004—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the ''Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–115] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 3012—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes.
Read the second time, [23JA]
Placed on the calendar, [23JA]

H.R. 3117—A bill to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [23JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [24JA]

H.R. 3120—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to require accreditation of certain educational institutions for purposes of a nonimmigrant student visa, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 3140—A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to prioritize the assignment of officers and analysts to certain State and urban area fusion centers to enhance the security of mass transit systems.
Passed House, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [4JN]

H.R. 3158—A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [2AU]

H.R. 3173—A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to reform the process for the enrollment, activation, issuance, and renewal of a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) to require, in total, not more than one in-person visit to a designated enrollment center.
Passed House amended, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [29JN]

H.R. 3187—A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the March of Dimes Foundation.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate, [2AU]
Passed Senate, [10DE]
Presented to the President (December 12, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–209] (signed December 18, 2012)

H.R. 3197—A bill to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Spokane, Washington, as the ''Mann-Grandstaff Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [21DE]

H.R. 3220—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the ''Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office''.
Reported (no written report), [16MY]
Placed on the calendar, [16MY]
Passed Senate, [17MY]
Presented to the President (May 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–125] (signed June 5, 2012)

H.R. 3237—A bill to amend the SOAR Act by clarifying the scope of coverage of the Act.
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [23JA]
Presented to the President (January 26, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–92] (signed February 1, 2012)

H.R. 3246—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the ''Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building''.
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–116] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 3247—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the ''Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [15FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [16FE]
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–117] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 3248—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the ''Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [15FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [16FE]
Reported (no written report), [25AP]
Placed on the calendar, [25AP]
Passed Senate, [26AP]
Presented to the President (May 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–118] (signed May 15, 2012)

H.R. 3263—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [5JN]
Received in Senate, [6JN]
Passed Senate, [30DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–244] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 3276—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2810 East Hillsborough Avenue in Tampa, Florida, as the ''Reverend Abe Brown Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmenal Affairs, [29JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–159] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 3298—A bill to establish the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [27MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [28MR]

H.R. 3309—A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission.
Passed House amended, [27MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [28MR]

H.R. 3310—A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to consolidate the reporting obligations of the Federal Communications Commission in order to improve congressional oversight and reduce reporting burdens.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [4JN]

H.R. 3319—A bill to allow the Pascua Yaqui Tribe to determine the requirements for membership in that tribe.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, [20SE], [21SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [11DE]
Presented to the President (December 13, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–214] (signed December 20, 2012)

H.R. 3336—A bill to ensure the exclusion of small lenders from certain regulations of the Dodd-Frank Act.
Passed House amended, [25AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, [26AP]

H.R. 3388—A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [24JY]

H.R. 3397—A bill to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [11SE]

H.R. 3409—A bill to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977.
Passed House amended, [21SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [13NO]

H.R. 3412—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1421 Veterans Memorial Drive in Abbeville, Louisiana, as the ''Sergeant Richard Franklin Abshire Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–160] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 3413—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the ''Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office''.
Passed House, [5MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [6MR]
Reported (no written report), [16MY]
Placed on the calendar, [16MY]
Passed Senate, [17MY]
Presented to the President (May 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–126] (signed June 5, 2012)

H.R. 3477—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 133 Hare Road in Crosby, Texas, as the Army First Sergeant David McNerney Post Office Building.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–219] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 3501—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the ''SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office''.
Passed House, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmenal Affairs, [29JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–161] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 3521—A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for a legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [8FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [9FE]

H.R. 3523—A bill to provide for the sharing of certain cyber threat intelligence and cyber threat information between the intelligence community and cybersecurity entities, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [26AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Intelligence, [7MY]

H.R. 3534—A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [16MY]

H.R. 3556—A bill to designate the new United States courthouse in Buffalo, New York, as the ''Robert H. Jackson United States Courthouse''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate, [24JY]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–184] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 3567—A bill to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to implement policies to prevent assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program from being used in strip clubs, casinos, and liquor stores.
Passed House amended, [1FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [2FE]

H.R. 3578—A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to reform the budget baseline.
Passed House, [3FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [6FE]

H.R. 3581—A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to increase transparency in Federal budgeting, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [7FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [9FE]

H.R. 3582—A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation.
Passed House amended, [2FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [6FE]

H.R. 3593—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the ''National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]

H.R. 3606—A bill to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.
Passed House amended, [8MR]
Received in Senate, [8MR]
Read the first time, [12MR]
Read the second time, [13MR]
Placed on the calendar, [13MR]
Considered, [15MR], [19MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Senate invoked cloture, [21MR]
Passed Senate amended, [22MR]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [27MR]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [27MR]
Presented to the President (March 27, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–106] (signed April 5, 2012)

H.R. 3630—A bill to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes.
Conferees appointed, [3JA]
Motion to instruct conferees agreed to in the House, [24JA], [9FE]
Motion to instruct conferees considered in the House, [1FE]
Motion to instruct conferees rejected in the House, [2FE]
Consideration of motion to instruct conferees, [8FE]
Conference report (H. Rept. 112–399) submitted in the House, [16FE]
Conference report agreed to in the House, [17FE]
Conference report agreed to in the Senate, [17FE]
Presented to the President (February 22, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–96] (signed February 22, 2012)

H.R. 3637—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 Old Dixie Highway in Jupiter, Florida, as the ''Roy Schallern Rood Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [5MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [6MR]

H.R. 3641—A bill to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [31JY]
Received in Senate, [1AU]
Passed Senate, [30DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–245] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 3668—A bill to prevent trafficking in counterfeit drugs.
Passed House amended, [18JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [19JN]

H.R. 3670—A bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.
Passed House, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [4JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–171] (signed August 16, 2012)

H.R. 3706—A bill to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [2AU]

H.R. 3742—A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 North Church Street in Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the ''Edwin L. Mechem United States Courthouse''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [24JY]

H.R. 3772—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 150 South Union Street in Canton, Mississippi, as the ''First Sergeant Landres Cheeks Post Office Building''; to the Commitee on Oversight and Government Reform. (submitted January 13, 2012)
Passed House, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–162] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 3783—A bill to provide for a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's growing presence and hostile activity in the Western Hemisphere, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate, [20DE]
Passed Senate amended, [12DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [18DE]
Presented to the President (December 20, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–220] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 3796—A bill to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 3800—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [24JA]
Received in Senate and passed, [26JA]
Presented to the President (January 30, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–91] (signed January 31, 2012)

H.R. 3801—A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to clarify the definition of aircraft and the offenses penalized under the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [25JA]

Received in Senate and passed, [26JA]
Presented to the President (January 30, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–93] (signed February 10, 2012)

H.R. 3834—A bill to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize activities for support of networking and information technology research, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [27AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [7MY]

H.R. 3835—A bill to extend the pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees.
Passed House, [1FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [2FE]

H.R. 3857—A bill to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include as an eligible use the sustainment of specialized operational teams used by local law enforcement under the Transit Security Grant Program, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [12SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [13SE]

H.R. 3869—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the ''Sidney 'Sid' Sanders McMath Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate, [21DE]
Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–246] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 3870—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6083 Highway 36 West in Rose Bud, Arkansas, as the ''Nicky 'Nick' Daniel Bacon Post Office''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–221] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 3874—A bill to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [16MY]

H.R. 3892—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the ''Private First Class Victor A. Dew Post Office''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–247] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 3902—A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to revise the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia.
Passed House amended, [29FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmenal Affairs, [1MR]
Reported (S. Rept. 112–186), [12JY]
Placed on the calendar, [12JY]
Passed Senate, [12JY]
Presented to the President (July 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–145] (signed July 18, 2012)

H.R. 3912—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the ''Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–222] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 3992—A bill to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E–2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for similar nonimmigrant status in Israel.
Passed House, [19MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [20MR]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [24MY]
Presented to the President (May 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–130] (signed June 8, 2012)

H.R. 4005—A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a study and report to Congress on gaps in port security in the United States and a plan to address them.
Passed House amended, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29JN]

H.R. 4014—A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.
Passed House, [26MR]
Received in Senate, [27MR]
Read the first time, [27MR]
Read the second time, [28MR]
Placed on the calendar, [28MR]
Passed Senate, [11DE]
Presented to the President (December 13, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–215] (signed December 20, 2012)

H.R. 4018—A bill to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program.
Passed House amended, [27JN]
Received in Senate, [28JN]
Read the first time, [29JN]
Read the second time, [9JY]
Placed on the calendar, [9JY]

H.R. 4027—A bill to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled ''An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes''.
Passed House, [18JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [19JN]

H.R. 4040—A bill to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Jack Nicklaus in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf.
Passed House, [16AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [17AP]

H.R. 4041—A bill to amend the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 to further enhance the promotion of exports of United States goods and services, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [4JN]

H.R. 4045—A bill to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate, [16MY]
Passed Senate, [17MY]
Presented to the President (May 18, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–120] (signed May 25, 2012)

H.R. 4053—A bill to intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending.
Passed House amended, [13DE]
Received in Senate, [17DE]
Passed Senate, [20DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–248] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 4057—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [12SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [19DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [30DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [30DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–249] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 4073—A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate, [2AU]
Passed Senate, [30DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–250] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 4078—A bill to provide that no agency may take any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than 6.0 percent.
Passed House amended, [26JY]
Received in Senate, [30JY]
Read the first time, [30JY]
Read the second time, [31JY]
Placed on the calendar, [31JY]

H.R. 4086—A bill to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title.
Passed House amended, [19MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [20MR]

H.R. 4097—A bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [7MY]
Received in Senate, [8MY]
Passed Senate, [23MY]
Presented to the President (May 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–131] (signed June 8, 2012)

H.R. 4105—A bill to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket economy countries, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [6MR]
Received in Senate and passed, [7MR]
Presented to the President (March 8, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–99] (signed March 13, 2012)

H.R. 4114—A bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [9JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [10JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [13NO]
Presented to the President (November 16, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–198] (signed November 27, 2012)

H.R. 4119—A bill to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.

Passed House amended, [16MY]
Received in Senate and passed, [17MY]
Presented to the President (May 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–127] (signed June 5, 2012)

H.R. 4124—A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to States to streamline State requirements and procedures for veterans with military emergency medical training to become civilian emergency medical technicians.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 4133—A bill to express the sense of Congress regarding the United States-Israel strategic relationship, to direct the President to submit to Congress reports on United States actions to enhance this relationship and to assist in the defense of Israel, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [9MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [10MY]

H.R. 4155—A bill to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.
Passed House amended, [9JY]
Received in Senate, [10JY]
Passed Senate, [11JY]
Presented to the President (July 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–147] (signed July 23, 2012)

H.R. 4157—A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor.
Passed House amended, [24JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, [25JY]

H.R. 4158—A bill to confirm full ownership rights for certain United States astronauts to artifacts from the astronauts' space missions.
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–185] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 4201—A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces.
Passed House, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [4JN]

H.R. 4212—A bill to designate drywall manufactured in China a banned hazardous product, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [20SE], [21SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [30DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–266] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 4222—A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [6JN]

H.R. 4223—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit theft of medical products, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [26JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [28JN]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–186] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 4240—A bill to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [15MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [16MY]
Reported (no written report), [18JY]
Placed on the calendar, [18JY]
Passed Senate, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–172] (signed August 16, 2012)

H.R. 4251—A bill to authorize, enhance, and reform certain port security programs through increased efficiency and risk-based coordination within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [29JN]

H.R. 4257—A bill to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to revise requirements relating to Federal information security, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [26AP]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [7MY]

H.R. 4264—A bill to help ensure the fiscal solvency of the FHA mortgage insurance programs of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [12SE]

H.R. 4273—A bill to clarify that compliance with an emergency order under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act may not be considered a violation of any Federal, State, or local environmental law or regulation, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [2AU]

H.R. 4281—A bill to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.
Passed House, [29MR]
Received in Senate and passed, [29MR]
Presented to the President (March 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–102] (signed March 30, 2012)

H.R. 4282—A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that the United States can comply fully with the obligations of the Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [5JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [6JN]

H.R. 4305—A bill to authorize the Attorney General to provide a grant to assist Federal, State, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing individuals.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]

H.R. 4310—A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [18MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Armed Services, [19JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended (text of S. 3254 inserted in lieu), [4DE]
Senate insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference. Conferees appointed, [4DE], [12DE]
Passed Senate amended, [12DE]
House disagreed to Senate amendment and agreed to a conference, [13DE]
Consideration of motion to instruct conferees, [13DE]
Motion to instruct conferees agreed to in the House, [13DE]
Motion to permit closed conference meetings during times classified national security information is discussed is agreed to in the House, [13DE]
Conferees appointed, [13DE]
Conference report (H. Rept. 112–705) submitted in the House, [18DE]
Conference report agreed to in the House, [20DE]
Conference report agreed to in the Senate, [21DE]
Presented to the President (December 30, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–239] (signed January 2, 2013)

H.R. 4347—A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the ''Robert Boochever United States Courthouse''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate, [24JY]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–187] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 4348—A bill to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [18AP]
Received in Senate, [19AP]
Passed Senate amended (text of S. 1813 inserted in lieu), [24AP]
Senate insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference. Conferees appointed, [24AP]
Consideration of motion to instruct conferees, [25AP], [17MY], [19JN], [20JN], [27JN]
House disagreed to Senate amendment and agreed to a conference, [25AP]
Motion to instruct conferees rejected in the House, [25AP], [8JN]
Conferees appointed, [25AP]
Motion to instruct conferees agreed to in the House, [18MY], [20JN], [21JN], [26JN]
Consideration of motions to instruct conferees, [6JN], [21JN]
Motions to instruct conferees rejected in the House, [6JN]
Considertion of motion to instruct conferees, [7JN]
Conference report (H. Rept. 112–557) submitted in the House, [28JN]
Providing for consideration (H. Res. 717), [28JN]
Conference report agreed to in the House, [29JN]
Conference report agreed to in the Senate, [29JN]
Presented to the President (July 2, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–141] (signed July 6, 2012)

H.R. 4362—A bill to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 4365—A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [2AU]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–267] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 4367—A bill to amend the Electronic Fund Transfer Act to limit the fee disclosure requirement for an automatic teller machine to the screen of that machine.
Passed House, [9JY]
Received in Senate, [10JY]
Passed Senate, [11DE]
Presented to the President (December 13, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–216] (signed December 20, 2012)

H.R. 4389—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19 East

Merced Street in Fowler, California, as the ''Cecil E. Bolt Post Office''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate, [21DE]
Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–251] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 4402—A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness.
Passed House amended, [12JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [16JY]

H.R. 4480—A bill to provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas exploration, development, and production under oil and gas leases of Federal lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Defense in response to a drawdown of petroleum reserves from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.
Passed House amended, [21JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [25JN]

H.R. 4484—A bill to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Utah to Brigham Young University, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [24JY]

H.R. 4606—A bill to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purpose.
Passed House amended, [17DE]
Received in Senate, [18DE]
Passed Senate, [2JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–268] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 4628—A bill to extend student loan interest rates for undergraduate Federal Direct Stafford Loans.
Passed House, [27AP]
Received in Senate, [7MY]
Read the first time, [7MY]
Read the second time, [8MY]
Placed on the calendar, [8MY]

H.R. 4631—A bill to require quarterly reports on agency conferences and meetings, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [12SE]

H.R. 4849—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [27AP]
Received in Senate, [7MY]
Read the first time, [7MY]
Read the second time, [8MY]
Placed on the calendar, [8MY]
Passed Senate amended, [17MY]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [18MY]
Presented to the President (May 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–128] (signed June 5, 2012)

H.R. 4850—A bill to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals.
Passed House, [26JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [28JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate amended, [21SE]

H.R. 4967—A bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.
Passed House, [9MY]
Received in Senate and passed, [10MY]
Presented to the President (May 18, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–121] (signed May 25, 2012)

H.R. 4970—A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.
Passed House amended, [16MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [21MY]

H.R. 5044—A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any discharge of indebtedness income on education loans of deceased veterans.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance, [20SE]

H.R. 5325—A bill making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [6JN]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [11JN]

H.R. 5326—A bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [10MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [14MY]

H.R. 5512—A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [4JN]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–188] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 5544—A bill to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the Laurentian District of the Superior National Forest and certain other National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota that has limited recreational and conservation resources and lands owned by the State of Minnesota in trust for the public school system that are largely scattered in checkerboard fashion within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and have important recreational, scenic, and conservation resources, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [12SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, [13SE]

H.R. 5625—A bill to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects.
Passed House, [26JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [28JN]

H.R. 5651—A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [4JN]

H.R. 5652—A bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for the fiscal year 2013.
Passed House amended, [10MY]
Received in Senate, [14MY]
Read the first time, [14MY]
Read the second time, [15MY]
Placed on the calendar, [15MY]

H.R. 5738—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the ''Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–223] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 5740—A bill to extend the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [17MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [21MY]
Passed Senate amended, [24MY]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [30MY]
Presented to the President (May 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–123] (signed May 31, 2012)

H.R. 5743—A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).
Passed House amended, [31MY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence, [5JN]

H.R. 5788—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the ''National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]

H.R. 5797—A bill to amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to Mille Lacs Lake, Minnesota, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [2AU]

H.R. 5817—A bill to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to provide an exception to the annual privacy notice requirement.
Passed House amended, [12DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [13DE]

H.R. 5837—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 26 East Genesee Street in Baldwinsville, New York, as the ''Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [24JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–224] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 5843—A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to permit use of certain grant funds for training conducted in conjunction with a national laboratory or research facility.
Passed House, [28JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29JN]

H.R. 5854—A bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [31MY]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [5JN]

H.R. 5855—A bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [7JN]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [11JN]

H.R. 5856—A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Appropriations, [23JY]
Reported with amendments (S. Rept. 112–196), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

H.R. 5859—A bill to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting.
Passed House amended, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [24JY]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)

Approved [Public Law 112–252] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 5865—A bill to promote the growth and competitiveness of American manufacturing.
Passed House amended, [12SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [13SE]

H.R. 5872—A bill to require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act of 2011 on January 2, 2013.
Passed House amended, [18JY]
Received in Senate, [19JY]
Read the first time, [19JY]
Read the second time, [23JY]
Placed on the calendar, [23JY]
Passed Senate, [25JY]
Presented to the President (July 27, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–155] (signed August 7, 2012)

H.R. 5882—A bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [8JN]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Appropriations, [11JN]
Reported with amendment (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]
Placed on the calendar, [2AU]

H.R. 5883—A bill to make a technical correction in Public Law 112-108.
Passed House, [5JN]
Received in Senate, [6JN]
Passed Senate, [7JN]
Presented to the President (June 11, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–135] (signed June 21, 2012)

H.R. 5889—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for protection of maritime navigation and prevention of nuclear terrorism, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [28JN]
Received in Senate, [29JN]
Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [10JY]

H.R. 5890—A bill to correct a technical error in Public Law 112-122.
Passed House, [5JN]
Committee discharged. Passed House, [5JN]
Received in Senate, [6JN]
Passed Senate, [7JN]
Presented to the President (June 11, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–136] (signed June 21, 2012)

H.R. 5892—A bill to improve hydropower, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [9JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [10JY]

H.R. 5913—A bill to create an independent advisory panel to comprehensively assess the management structure and capabilities related to the Department of Homeland Security and make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the management of the Department.
Passed House amended, [27NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [28NO]

H.R. 5934—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to include certain territories and possessions of the United States in the definition of State for the purposes of chapter 114, relating to trafficking in contraband cigarettes and smokeless tobacco.
Passed House, [14NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [15NO]

H.R. 5948—A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the supervision of fiduciaries of veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [20SE]

H.R. 5949—A bill to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for five years.
Passed House amended, [12SE]
Received in Senate, [13SE]
Read the first time, [13SE]
Read the second time, [19SE]
Placed on the calendar, [19SE]
Considered, [27DE]
Passed Senate, [28DE]
Presented to the President (December 30, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–238] (signed December 30, 2012)

H.R. 5954—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the ''Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [29NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [19DE]
Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–225] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 5958—A bill to name the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge Visitor Contact Station of the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge unit of Gateway National Recreation Area in honor of James L. Buckley.
Passed House, [23JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [24JY]

H.R. 5972—A bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [29JN]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [29JN]

H.R. 5986—A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric program and to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, to make technical corrections to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States relating to the textile and apparel rules of origin for the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement, to approve the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [2AU]
Received in Senate and passed, [2AU]
Presented to the President (August 3, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–163] (signed August 10, 2012)

H.R. 5997—A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities.
Passed House amended, [27NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [28NO]

H.R. 6007—A bill to exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, [11SE]

H.R. 6014—A bill to authorize the Attorney General to award grants for States to implement minimum and enhanced DNA collection processes.
Passed House amended, [18DE]
Received in Senate, [19DE]
Passed Senate, [28DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–253] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6016—A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for administrative leave requirements with respect to Senior Executive Service employees, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [20DE]

H.R. 6018—A bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [17JY]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [18JY]

H.R. 6025—A bill to provide for annual reports on the status of operational control of the international land and maritime borders of the United States and unlawful entries, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [27NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [28NO]

H.R. 6028—A bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [12SE]

H.R. 6029—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for increased penalties for foreign and economic espionage, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [1AU]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [2AU]
Passed Senate amended, [19DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [30DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–269] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6060—A bill to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2019.
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [20SE], [21SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [31DE]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–270] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6062—A bill to reauthorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program through fiscal year 2017.
Passed House, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]

H.R. 6063—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to child pornography and child exploitation offenses.
Passed House, [1AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [2AU]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [26NO]
Presented to the President (November 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–206] (signed December 7, 2012)

H.R. 6064—A bill to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.
Committees discharged. Passed House, [29JN]
Received in Senate and passed, [29JN]
Presented to the President (June 29, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–140] (signed June 29, 2012)

H.R. 6079—A bill to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010.
Passed House, [11JY]
Received in Senate, [12JY]
Read the first time, [12JY]
Read the second time, [16JY]
Placed on the calendar, [16JY]
Providing for consideration (H. Res. 724), [9JY]

H.R. 6080—A bill to make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code.
Passed House, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]

H.R. 6082—A bill to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012-2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [25JY]
Received in Senate, [26JY]
Read the first time, [26JY]
Read the second time, [30JY]
Placed on the calendar, [30JY]

H.R. 6116—A bill to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for direct appeals to the United States Supreme Court of decisions of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court.
Passed House amended, [14NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [15NO]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [13DE]
Presented to the President (December 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–226] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 6118—A bill to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification.
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [14NO]
Presented to the President (November 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–202] (signed December 4, 2012)

H.R. 6122—A bill to revise the authority of the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts and bequests on behalf of the Library, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration, [11SE]

H.R. 6131—A bill to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [11SE]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [12SE]
Passed Senate, [14NO]
Presented to the President (November 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–203] (signed December 4, 2012)

H.R. 6156—A bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova and to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [16NO]
Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [26NO]
Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [4DE]
Objection is heard to request for consideration, [5DE]
Considered, [5DE]
Passed Senate, [6DE]
Presented to the President (December 7, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–208] (signed December 14, 2012)

H.R. 6163—A bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a National Pediatric Research Network, including with respect to pediatric rare diseases or conditions.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 6185—A bill to improve security at State and local courthouses.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]

H.R. 6186—A bill to require a study of voluntary community-based flood insurance options and how such options could be incorporated into the national flood insurance program, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [11SE]

H.R. 6189—A bill to eliminate unnecessary reporting requirements for unfunded programs under the Office of Justice Programs.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–189] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 6213—A bill to limit further taxpayer exposure from the loan guarantee program established under title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.
Passed House amended, [14SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, [19SE]

H.R. 6215—A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to correct an error in the provisions relating to remedies for dilution.
Passed House amended, [11SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [12SE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–190] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 6223—A bill to amend section 1059(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 to clarify that a period of employment abroad by the Chief of Mission or United States Armed Forces as a translator, interpreter, or in an executive level security position is to be counted as a period of residence and physical presence in the United States for purposes of qualifying for naturalization if at least a portion of such period was spent in Iraq or Afghanistan, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [5DE]
Received in Senate, [6DE]
Passed Senate, [17DE]
Presented to the President (December 19, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–227] (signed December 28, 2012)

H.R. 6233—A bill to make supplemental agricultural disaster assistance available for fiscal year 2012 with the costs of such assistance offset by changes to certain conservation programs, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [2AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, [10SE]

H.R. 6260—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 211 Hope Street in Mountain View, California, as the ''Lieutenant Kenneth M. Ballard Memorial Post Office''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate, [21DE]
Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–254] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6324—A bill to reduce the number of nonessential vehicles purchased and leased by the Federal Government, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 6328—A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed clothing recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other local charitable organizations, and for other purposes.
Passed House, [27NO]
Received in Senate, [28NO]
Passed Senate amended, [11DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–271] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6336—A bill to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and to provide for the permanent display of the statue in Emancipation Hall of the Capitol Visitor Center.
Passed House amended, [10SE]
Received in Senate, [11SE]
Passed Senate, [12SE]
Presented to the President (September 14, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–174] (signed September 20, 2012)

H.R. 6361—A bill to exclude from consideration as income under the United States Housing Act of 1937 payments of pension made under section 1521 of title 38, United States Code, to veterans who are in need of regular aid and attendance, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 6364—A bill to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, to designate memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, including a National World War I Memorial on the National Mall in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [12DE]
Received in Senate, [13DE]
Passed Senate amended, [21DE]
House consideration of Senate amendment, [31DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [31DE]
Presented to the President (January 2, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–272] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6365—A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to replace the sequester established by the Budget Control Act of 2011.
Agreed to in the House, [13SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [19SE]

H.R. 6368—A bill to require the Department of Justice, in consultation with the Department of Homeland Security, to provide a report to Congress on the Departments' ability to track, investigate and quantify cross-border violence along the Southwest Border and provide recommendations to Congress on how to accurately track, investigate, and quantify cross-border violence.
Passed House amended, [19SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [20SE], [21SE]

H.R. 6371—A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to transfer certain functions from the General Accountability Office to the Department of Labor relating to the processing of claims for the payment of workers who were not paid appropriate wages under certain provisions of such title.
Passed House, [13NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [14NO]

H.R. 6374—A bill to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 180 Martin Drive in Carrollton, Georgia, as the ''Trinka Davis Veterans Village''.
Passed House, [28NO]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [29NO]

H.R. 6375—A bill to authorize certain Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility projects and leases, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [19SE]

Received in Senate, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–191] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 6379—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6239 Savannah Highway in Ravenel, South Carolina, as the ''Representative Curtis B. Inabinett, Sr. Post Office''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate, [21DE]
Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–255] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6429—A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to promote innovation, investment, and research in the United States, to eliminate the diversity immigrant program, and for other purposes.
Passed House amended, [30NO]
Received in Senate, [3DE]
Read the first time, [3DE]
Read the second time, [4DE]
Placed on the calendar, [4DE]

H.R. 6431—A bill to provide flexibility with respect to United States support for assistance provided by international financial institutions for Burma, and for other purposes.
Rules suspended. Passed House, [19SE]
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–192] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 6433—A bill to make corrections with respect to Food and Drug Administration user fees.
Passed House, [19SE]
Received in Senate, [20SE]
Passed Senate, [21SE]
Committee discharged. Passed House, [19SE]
Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–193] (signed October 5, 2012)

H.R. 6443—A bill to designate the facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 9800 West Commercial Boulevard in Sunrise, Florida, as the ''William 'Bill' Kling VA Clinic''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, [21DE]

H.R. 6570—A bill to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to consolidate certain CBO reporting requirements.
Passed House, [14NO]
Received in Senate and passed, [15NO]
Presented to the President (November 28, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–204] (signed December 4, 2012)

H.R. 6582—A bill to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive.
Passed House amended, [4DE]
Received in Senate, [5DE]
Passed Senate, [6DE]
Presented to the President (December 12, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–210] (signed December 18, 2012)

H.R. 6586—A bill to extend the application of certain space launch liability provisions through 2014.
Passed House, [13NO]
Received in Senate, [14NO]
Passed Senate amended, [31DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [2JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–273] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6587—A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 Simi Village Drive in Simi Valley, California, as the ''Postal Inspector Terry Asbury Post Office Building''.
Passed House, [20DE]
Received in Senate, [21DE]
Passed Senate, [27DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–256] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6602—A bill to make revisions in title 36, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current and make technical corrections and improvements.
Passed House, [5DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [6DE]

H.R. 6605—A bill to eliminate an unnecessary reporting requirement for an unfunded DNA Identification grant program.
Passed House, [5DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [6DE]

H.R. 6612—A bill to redesignate the Dryden Flight Research Center as the Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center and the Western Aeronautical Test Range as the Hugh L. Dryden Aeronautical Test Range.
Passed House, [31DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, [1JA]

H.R. 6620—A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain limitations on the length of Secret Service Protection for former Presidents and for the children of former Presidents.
Passed House, [5DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, [6DE]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [28DE]
Presented to the President (January 1, 2013), [3JA]
Approved [Public Law 112–257] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6621—A bill to correct and improve certain provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act and title 35, United States Code.
Passed House amended, [18DE]
Received in Senate, [19DE]
Passed Senate amended, [28DE]
House agreed to Senate amendment, [1JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–274] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6634—A bill to change the effective date for the Internet publication of certain financial disclosure forms.
Committee discharged. Passed House, [5DE]
Passed House, [5DE]
Received in Senate, [5DE]
Passed Senate, [6DE]
Presented to the President (December 6, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–207] (signed December 7, 2012)

H.R. 6655—A bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.
Passed House, [19DE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, [19DE]
Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged, [2JA]
Committee discharged. Passed Senate, [2JA]
Presented to the President (January 3, 2013)
Approved [Public Law 112–275] (signed January 14, 2013)

H.R. 6671—A bill to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet.
Passed House, [18DE]
Received in Senate, [19DE]
Passed Senate, [20DE]
Presented to the President (December 31, 2012)
Approved [Public Law 112–258] (signed January 10, 2013)

H.R. 6726—A bill to prevent the 2013 pay adjustment for Members of Congress and persons holding other offices or positions in the Federal Government from being made.
Passed House, [1JA]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, [2JA]

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

H.J. Res. 98—A joint resolution relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, as submitted under section 3101A of title 31, United States Code, on January 12, 2012.

Passed House, [18JA]

Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [23JA]

Consideration of motion to proceed to consideration, [26JA]

H.J. Res. 117—A joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes.

Passed House, [13SE]

Received in Senate and placed on the calendar, [19SE]

Motion to proceed to consideration agreed to in the Senate, [20SE]

Considered, [20SE]

Passed Senate, [21SE]

Presented to the President (September 25, 2012)

Approved [Public Law 112–175] (signed September 28, 2012)

H.J. Res. 122—A joint resolution establishing the date for the counting of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast by the electors in December 2012.

Passed House, [18DE]

Received in Senate, [19DE]

Passed Senate, [20DE]

Presented to the President (December 21, 2012)

Approved [Public Law 112–228] (signed December 28, 2012)

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

H. Con. Res. 90—Concurrent resolution authorizing the printing of the 25th edition of the pocket version of the United States Constitution.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [1FE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration, [2FE]
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

H. Con. Res. 96—Concurrent resolution providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.
Agreed to in the House, [18JA]
Received in Senate and agreed to, [23JA]

H. Con. Res. 99—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to unveil the marker which acknowledges the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [9FE]
Received in Senate, [9FE]
Agreed to in the Senate, [15FE]

H. Con. Res. 105—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha.
Agreed to in the House, [7MY]
Received in Senate, [8MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

H. Con. Res. 106—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.
Agreed to in the House, [7MY]
Received in Senate, [8MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

H. Con. Res. 108—Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [21MR]
Received in Senate, [21MR]
Agreed to in the Senate, [22MR]

H. Con. Res. 112—Concurrent resolution establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022.
Agreed to in the House, [29MR]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on the Budget, [17AP]
Placed on the calendar, [16AP]
Motion to proceed considered, [16AP]

H. Con. Res. 117—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.
Agreed to in the House, [7MY]
Received in Senate, [8MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

H. Con. Res. 118—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run.
Agreed to in the House, [7MY]
Received in Senate, [8MY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [9MY]

H. Con. Res. 127—Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived.
Agreed to in the House, [2AU]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, [10SE]

H. Con. Res. 128—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [5JN]
Received in Senate, [6JN]
Agreed to in the Senate, [14JN]

H. Con. Res. 132—Concurrent resolution providing funding to ensure the printing and production of the authorized number of copies of the revised and updated version of the House document entitled ''Hispanic Americans in Congress'', and for other purposes.
Agreed to in the House, [10SE]
Received in Senate and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration, [11SE]

H. Con. Res. 133—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol for an event to present the Congressional Gold Medal to Arnold Palmer, in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [19JY]
Received in Senate, [23JY]
Agreed to in the Senate, [26JY]

H. Con. Res. 134—Concurrent resolution condemning, in the strongest possible terms, the heinous atrocities that occurred in Aurora, Colorado.
Agreed to in the House, [26JY]
Received in Senate and agreed to, [26JY]

H. Con. Res. 135—Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, in recognition of her leadership and perseverance in the struggle for freedom and democracy in Burma.
Committee discharged. Agreed to in the House, [1AU]
Received in Senate and agreed to, [2AU]

H. Con. Res. 147—Concurrent resolution waiving the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be printed on parchment.
Agreed to in the House, [1JA]
Received in Senate and agreed to, [1JA]

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Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [31JY]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent: establish (see S. 64), [27FE]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 1984), [6FE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [6JN] (see S. 3522), [19SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [5JN]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [1AU]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of HUD: reauthorize programs for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians (see S. 65), [19SE]
Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [17JY]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [17AP]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [19SE]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]

Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [26JA]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Explosives: limit use of cluster munitions (see S. 558), [1AU]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [15MY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Firearms: prevent gun trafficking (see S. 1973), [13MR]
———require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [31JY]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [15FE] (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [13FE]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [31JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29MR]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [23JA]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: cover marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services (see S. 604), [29MR]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [17MY]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [13SE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [13SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
———make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [29MR]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
———reform financing of Senate elections (see S. 750), [30JA]
———require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures (see S. 1360), [26JA]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [19AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Social Security: revise medical criteria for evaluating disability in a person with Huntington's disease and waive Medicare waiting period for individuals disabled by Huntington's disease (see S. 648), [16FE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past due (see S. 755), [9MY]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [11SE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [16AP]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [19SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [17JY]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [9FE]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [26JY]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [19AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [13NO]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [18AP]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [13FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Dept. of the Interior: provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
Federal agencies and departments: promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
Federal employees: authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts (see S. 3175), [14MY]
———reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]

———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389), [13SE]
———Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389) (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Determine Blood Quantum Requirement for Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1560), [31JY]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 379) (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Lumbee Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1272), [1AU]
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3546), [11DE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]

ALABAMA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]

ALASKA
Bills and resolutions
Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
———tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of Justice: issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
Dept. of the Interior: provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Pipelines: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (S. 1812) (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Roads and highways: authorize establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor (see S. 3330), [21JN]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station, Talkeetna, AK: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]
Reports filed
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]

ALASKA NATURAL GAS PIPELINE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]

ALASKA RURAL JUSTICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]

AL-ASSAD, BASHAR (PRESIDENT, SYRIA)
Bills and resolutions
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]

ALBANIA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
History: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]

ALBANIAN AMERICAN CIVIC LEAGUE
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]

ALBANIAN AMERICAN FOUNDATION
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, FEDERAL LAND CONVEYANCE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3370), [1AU]

ALBUQUERQUE, NM
Bills and resolutions
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [11JY]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Reports filed
Albuquerque, NM, Federal Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3370), [1AU]

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]

National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
ALEXANDER, LAMAR ***(a Senator from Tennessee)***
Appointments
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint), [5MR]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: phase out sugar price support program and marketing allotments (see S. 25), [28FE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Collective bargaining: ensure fairness in election procedures with respect to collective bargaining representatives (see S. 1425), [27FE]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [11JN]
Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [6FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [14JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Diseases: issue semipostal stamp to support Alzheimer's disease research (see S. Res. 176), [13JN]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [28DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [11JY]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [21SE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [16AP]
———repeal mandate that individuals purchase health insurance (see S. 19), [16JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [20JN]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [18JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25JY]
———modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [10JY]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [28NO]
Motor vehicles: improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 3221), [5JN]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [5JN]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal prohibition on using medical savings account funds to purchase over-the-counter medications (see S. 1368), [21JN]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [24JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [2AU]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [24JA]
———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [13NO]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [26JA]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [28JN]
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Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18AP]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [10MY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
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American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
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———revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]
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Land use: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
Sports: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
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———make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [24MY]
Animal Welfare Act: modify definition of ''exhibitor'' (see S. 3666), [6DE]
Armed Forces: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [27FE]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
North American bison: designate as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
———prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
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America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership: reauthorize in Iowa (see S. 2133), [27FE]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
———repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]

———setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [26AP]
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Dept. of Agriculture: extend and improve the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program (see S. 2126), [17FE]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
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———provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
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———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
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District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
EPA: reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———reduce Federal advertising budgets (see S. 3540), [13SE]
———strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Government: increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
Intelligence services: authorizing appropriations (see S. 3454), [30JY]
———specifically authorize certain funds for intelligence or intelligence-related activity (see S. 3314), [19JN]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
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Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
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———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
SBA: reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
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Taxation: extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
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Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
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Government: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
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Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
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Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]
Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]

AQUACULTURE
Bills and resolutions
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]

ARAB COUNTRIES *related term(s)* **MIDDLE EAST**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Syria: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Reports filed
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]

ARAB LEAGUE
Bills and resolutions
Syria: condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Reports filed
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]

ARCHAEOLOGY
Bills and resolutions
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Reports filed
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

ARCTIC OCEAN RESEARCH, MONITORING, AND OBSERVING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2147), [1MR]

ARCTIC REGIONS
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]

ARCTIC RESEARCH COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]

ARCTIC SCIENCE ENDOWMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2154), [5MR]

ARDMORE, OK
Reports filed
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1423), [25AP]

ARGENTINA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
International economic relations: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Messages
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Argentina: President Obama, [26MR]

ARIZONA
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Statehood: anniversary (see S. Res. 373), [14FE]
Reports filed
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]

ARIZONA WALLOW FIRE RECOVERY AND MONITORING ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]

ARKANSAS
Bills and resolutions
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

ARLINGTON COUNTY, VA
Bills and resolutions
Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]
ARMED FORCES *see* **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
ARMENIA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
ARMS CONTROL
Bills and resolutions
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
Syria: oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to the Risk of Nuclear Proliferation Created by the Accumulation of Weapons-Usable Fissile Material in Russia: President Obama, [18JN]
ARMS SALES
Bills and resolutions
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
Reports filed
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
ARMY *see* **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
ARMY ARSENAL STRATEGIC WORKLOAD ENHANCEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3054), [9MY]
ARTS AND HUMANITIES *related term(s)* **LITERATURE; MUSIC AND DANCE**
Bills and resolutions
Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Dept. of Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
Reports filed
Innovation Design Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]
ASIA
Bills and resolutions
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
ASIAN AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
ASIAN/PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
ASSESSING PROGRESS IN HAITI ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN)
Bills and resolutions
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
ATLANTA, GA
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA (see S. 3247), [24MY]
ATOMIC ENERGY *see* **NUCLEAR ENERGY**
AUBURN, NY
Reports filed
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
AUDIT THE PENTAGON ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3487), [2AU]
AURORA, CO
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
AUTHORS *see* **LITERATURE**
AUTOMOBILES *see* **MOTOR VEHICLES**
AVIATION
Bills and resolutions
Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [12JN]
Consumers: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: provide Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
———require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment (see S. 3554), [19SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
———making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]
EPA: establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Safety: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
Taxation: exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air (see S. 3451), [26JY]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
———modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
———transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [27NO]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
Reports filed
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
AWARDS, MEDALS, PRIZES
Appointments
Congressional Award Board, [21MY]
Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board, [20SE]
State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]

Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]
Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
World Peace Corps Mission: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]

AYOTTE, KELLY ***(a Senator from New Hampshire)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in government activities (see S. 165), [31JA]
———prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [21JN]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [27MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [20SE]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [9MY]
Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [8MY]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [22MY]
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [26JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [30JA]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [10SE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [7JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [7MY]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [1AU]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare/Medicaid: curb waste, fraud, and abuse (see S. 1251), [8MY]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [16AP]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [6JN]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [13JN]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [7JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian

and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [22MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [22MR]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [19MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [19AP]

BACKPAGE.COM (INTERNET SITE)
Bills and resolutions
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]

BAILEY, JONATHAN W.
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 559), [19SE]

BALANCED BUDGET AND EMERGENCY DEFICIT CONTROL ACT
Bills and resolutions
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]

BALDWINSVILLE, NY
Bills and resolutions
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building: designate (see S. 3435), [25JY]

BALLWIN, MO
Reports filed
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]

BALTIMORE, MD
Bills and resolutions
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]

BANK HOLDING COMPANY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]

BANKRUPTCY
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
Business and industry: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Claims: require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Consumers: increase consumer protections for gift cards (see S. 3636), [26NO]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
Small business: make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Reports filed
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]

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BARDSTOWN, KY
Bills and resolutions
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]

BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS LAND TRANSFER CLARIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3193), [16MY]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]

BARRASSO, JOHN ***(a Senator from Wyoming)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: ensure those killed and wounded at Fort Hood, TX, are treated in the same manner as those killed or wounded in combat zones, terrorist attacks, or in a contingency operation (see S. 316), [9FE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests (see S. 102), [23JY]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [13JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [19SE]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [25JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [2AU]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [18JY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [29MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [7FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [20SE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [20MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [11JN]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack,

and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [23AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [16AP]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [17AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [7JN]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [13NO]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [6MR]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [21JN]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [28FE]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [7FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

BARRETT, BARBARA
Bills and resolutions
Smithsonian Institution: appoint as citizen regent of Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]

BATTIN, JAMES F. ***(a former Representative from Montana)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Reports filed
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]

BAUCUS, MAX ***(a Senator from Montana)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: promote local and regional farm and food systems (see S. 1773), [12MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [19AP]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [15MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [25JY]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [20JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [29NO]
———establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Dept. of Defense: modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [29MR]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [11JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [26MR]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [12MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [28JN]
———deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [16FE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act: reauthorize (see S. 714), [18AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [13SE] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [18JY]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [17MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [21MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [16MY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [29JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [21JN]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [24AP]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]

Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [29MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [19JY]
Veterans: allow certain veterans with service-connected disabilities to travel on military aircraft (see S. 67), [7JN]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [13NO]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [9FE]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3406), [19JY]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN] (see S. 3406), [19JY]
———impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Tariff: acrylic snow globes (see S. 2882), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2876), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece (see S. 2875), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2877), [8MY]
———diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester (see S. 2878), [8MY]
———fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric (see S. 2874), [8MY]
———footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper (see S. 2883), [8MY]
———glass snow globes (see S. 2881), [8MY]
———golf bag bodies (see S. 2872), [8MY]
———3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol (see S. 2873), [8MY]
———vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2879), [8MY]
———vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2880), [8MY]
Taxation: extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
World War II: recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
Motions
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [12JY]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act Import Restrictions Renewal Approval: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Prevention of Importation of Merchandise Into the U.S. in a Manner That Evades Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3524) (S. Rept. 112–209), [10SE]
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

BAYH, EVAN ***(a former Senator from Indiana)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Sports: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]

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Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]

BEGICH, MARK ***(a Senator from Alaska)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [10JA], [2OC], [30OC]
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]

———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [10JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [31JY]
Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]
Alaska: authorize establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor (see S. 3330), [21JN]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [19AP]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [17DE]
Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [12MR]
———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [16MY]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [8MR]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [27MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [24JA]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [12JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [25JN]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [12SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———revoke Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac charters, temporarily create a Mortgage Finance Agency to secure mortgages until the transition to privatization, and protect against another housing collapse (see S. 1963), [23JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [12JY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [22MY]
———establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [8MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [14FE] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [19MR]
———provide grants to States to ensure that students complete the middle grades prepared for success in high school and postsecondary endeavors (see S. 833), [28NO]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [9FE]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [19MR]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [26JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [29FE]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [1FE]
Dept. of Labor: provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
———authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy (see S. 1838), [24JA]
———deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [9MY]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [9JY]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [20JN]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
———reauthorize Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (see S. 3282), [11JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [19JY]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [19MR]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [12SE]
Diseases: expand research, prevention, and awareness activities relative to pulmonary fibrosis (see S. 1350), [5MR]
———provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes (see S. 1221), [12JN]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Families and domestic relations: prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [13MR]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [19AP]
———provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [23AP]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [25JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [23JY]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 509), [24JA] (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [20SE]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [12SE]
———restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [30JY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [2AU]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for

meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [11SE]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [6JN]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [21MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [13SE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [26MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [26AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26AP]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [28FE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [20JN]
Medicare: authorize certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services (see S. 1468), [14JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [17JY]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [2AU]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [20JN]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [2AU]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [10MY]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [4DE]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [12JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [14JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [8MR]
———revise medical criteria for evaluating disability in a person with Huntington's disease and waive Medicare waiting period for individuals disabled by Huntington's disease (see S. 648), [14FE]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [8MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
Supreme Court: permit televising of proceedings (see S. 1945), [29FE]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Tariff: recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [30JA]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
———close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [16FE]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [13NO]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [12DE]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [23JY]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [17AP]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [6JN]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [31JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [29JN]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [26JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [21MY]
Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
———improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233, 3236), [20JN]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
———issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [20JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [26JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [9MY]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [26AP]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [28NO]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Anchorage, AK: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
Bailey, Jonathan W.: tribute (see S. Res. 559), [19SE]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of HHS: establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
Dept. of the Interior: set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training

programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Education: provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
Fish and fishing: enhance national seafood marketing efforts by creating National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, regional seafood marketing boards, and national coordinating committee (see S. 3615), [21SE]
Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Olympic Games: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Social Security: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
Taxation: exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air (see S. 3451), [26JY]
———provide a credit for early childhood education professional school personnel, expand deduction for expenses to early childhood education teachers, and modify credit for dependent care services (see S. 2180), [8MR]
———provide expensing for small businesses (see S. 2284), [16AP]
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]

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Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [7JN]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [21DE]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [15NO]
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Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [23JY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
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FDA: include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
FEMA: waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [28JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [1AU] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
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Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [20SE]

National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [18JN]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
———discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Public Lands Corps Act: provide service-learning opportunities on public lands, restore natural, cultural, historic, archeological, recreational, and scenic resources, and train new land managers (see S. 896), [23JY]
Renewable energy: promote development of renewable energy on public lands (see S. 1775), [11JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Senate: require candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form (see S. 219), [5JN]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (see S. 1933), [22MR]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
Taxation: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [13NO]
———facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [6MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
FDA: expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
National Veterans Support Network: establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Senior citizens: encourage the use of locally grown food in meals programs (see S. 3592), [20SE]
———provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [19SE]
———strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders (see S. 3593), [20SE]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]

BENZIE COUNTY, MI
Reports filed
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

BICYCLES
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles (see S. 2651), [7MY]
———bicycle brakes (see S. 2647), [7MY]
———bicycle speedometer parts (see S. 2652), [7MY]
———bicycle speedometers (see S. 2649), [7MY]
———bicycle wheel rims (see S. 2648), [7MY]

BILLINGS, MT
Bills and resolutions
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Reports filed
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]

BIN LADEN, OSAMA
Bills and resolutions
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]

BINGAMAN, JEFF ***(a Senator from New Mexico)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [13JA], [19MR], [27MR], [9NO]
Attendance
Present, [13JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Armed Forces: limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [19AP]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [24JA]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 797, 3220), [5JN]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [8MY]
———improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [23AP]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [21MY]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, NM (see S. 3357), [28JN]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [2AU]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [2AU]

Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [31JY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Native Americans: allow tribes to adopt their own land leasing regulations (see S. 703), [25JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market (see S. 27), [1FE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students (see S. 506), [23JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Taxation: clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organizations (see S. 1908), [12JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [10SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [1FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [26AP]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [19SE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
FEMA: waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
———clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
New Mexico: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 585), [21SE]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Taxation: improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
Reports filed
Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 322) (S. Rept. 112–108), [23JA]
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Dept. of Energy Administrative Improvement Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–147), [7FE]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]
Geothermal Exploration and Technology Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1142) (S. Rept. 112–145), [7FE]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
Memorial Establishment on Federal Land in the District of Columbia To Honor Free African Americans and Slaves Who Fought During the American Revolution: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 883) (S. Rept. 112–118), [23JA]
Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation District of Columbia Commemorative Work Authorization: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1421) (S. Rept. 112–127), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area Establishment Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 667) (S. Rept. 112–113), [23JA]
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]
South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]
White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]

BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS *related term(s)* **WEAPONS**
Bills and resolutions
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]

BIRDS *related term(s)* **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES; WILDLIFE**
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [24MY]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: provide Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Dept. of the Interior: set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Reports filed
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]

BIRMINGHAM, AL
Bills and resolutions
Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]

BIRTH CONTROL
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]

BISBEE, AZ
Reports filed
Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station, Bisbee, AZ: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2668), [7MY]

BLACK, BARRY C. (CHAPLAIN OF THE SENATE)
Prayers
Senate, [23JA], [24JA], [30JA], [31JA], [1FE], [6FE], [7FE], [9FE], [13FE], [14FE], [15FE], [17FE], [27FE], [29FE], [1MR], [2MR], [5MR], [6MR], [7MR], [8MR], [12MR], [13MR], [14MR], [19MR], [20MR], [21MR], [22MR], [26MR], [27MR], [28MR], [29MR], [16AP], [17AP], [18AP], [23AP], [24AP], [7MY], [8MY], [9MY], [10MY], [14MY], [15MY], [16MY], [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [23MY], [24MY], [4JN], [5JN], [6JN], [7JN], [11JN], [12JN], [13JN], [14JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [11JY], [12JY], [16JY], [17JY], [18JY], [23JY], [24JY], [25JY], [30JY], [31JY], [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE], [19SE], [21SE], [13NO], [14NO], [15NO], [26NO], [27NO], [28NO], [30NO], [3DE], [4DE], [5DE], [6DE], [10DE], [11DE], [12DE], [13DE], [17DE], [18DE], [19DE], [20DE], [21DE], [27DE], [28DE], [30DE], [31DE], [1JA], [2JA]

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]

BLACKFOOT RIVER LAND SETTLEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]

BLACKS *see* **AFRICAN AMERICANS**

BLIND *see* **DISABLED**

BLOOD DONORS *see* **HEALTH**

BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AMERICA'S NUCLEAR FUTURE
Bills and resolutions
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]

BLUMENTHAL, RICHARD ***(a Senator from Connecticut)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [23JA], [31JA], [6FE], [7FE], [27FE], [5MR], [6MR], [26MR], [24AP], [7MY], [14MY], [15MY], [4JN], [5JN], [18JN], [19JN], [9JY], [10JY], [23JY], [24JY], [10SE], [11SE], [21SE], [15NO], [26NO]
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [28NO]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [14JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15MR]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [7MY]
———require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [11SE]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [24JY]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [11SE]
———promote industry growth and competitiveness and improve worker training, retention, and advancement (see S. 665), [29FE]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Children and youth: permit disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations (see S. 225), [2AU]
———reduce youth homelessness by extending foster care eligibility and programs and improving programs to keep families together (see S. 961), [24JY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Climate: establish a Federal strategy to respond to impacts of climate change by protecting and conserving natural resources and encourage development of similar State and local adaptation plans (see S. 1881), [8MY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [16AP]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [16MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [12JY]
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [1MR] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Controlled Substances Act: prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [16JY]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [13SE]
———establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [10SE]
———establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [23JY]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [5JN]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [12SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [30JY]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence

days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [23AP]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [23AP] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [7FE]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [11JN]
Dept. of HHS: assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care (see S. 1878), [15MY]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [6JN]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [13NO]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [13NO]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [27FE]
———reauthorize certain programs to protect against pandemics and attacks from chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear weapons (see S. 1855), [13MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [27FE]
Dept. of Justice: assist State oversight of proceedings, conduct background checks, and improve monitoring relative to adult guardianships and conservatorships of protected persons (see S. 1744), [19JY]
———establish a permanent background check system for youth-serving organization volunteers (see S. 645), [2AU]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [8MY]
———protect crime victims' rights and reauthorize certain DNA-related grant programs (see S. 250), [21JN]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [19DE]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of State: establish Special Envoy To Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia (see S. 1245), [23JA]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
———terminate the U.S. Mint Presidential $1 Coin Program (see S. 1385), [2AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [6FE]
———consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [7JN]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [16AP]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [10SE]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [27JN]
———improve disability compensation evaluation procedures for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma (see S. 1391), [11SE]
———improve provision of assistance to homeless veterans, regulation of fiduciary matters, housing programs and loans, and other benefits (see S. 1148), [8MR]
———improve provision of rehabilitative services for veterans with traumatic brain injury (see S. 957), [15MR]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide certain disabled veterans beneficiary travel program coverage for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation (see S. 1755), [27MR]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [16AP]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [26JN]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [16AP]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [2FE]
Discrimination: prohibit housing and credit decision discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, or source of income (see S. 1605), [24JY]
Diseases: expand research and awareness activities relative to scleroderma (see S. 649), [6JN]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [16MY]
Ecology and environment: address harmful algal blooms and hypoxia through research, forecasting and monitoring, and mitigation and control while helping communities detect, control, and mitigate such events (see S. 1701), [15MY]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [23AP]
———prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [9FE]
FDA: include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [20MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [21MY]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [10JY] (see S. 3394), [21SE]
———provide protection for consumers who have prepaid cards (see S. 2030), [6JN]
Fish and fishing: establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties to enforce the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes (see S. 52), [14JN]
Food: strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities relative to commercially-marketed seafood (see S. 50), [14JN]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [21SE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10JY]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [22MY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [14MY]
Hurricanes: provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Immigration: reaffirm U.S. commitment to protecting refugees who are fleeing persecution (see S. 1202), [26AP]
———reform (see S. 1258), [25JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]

IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [23AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16AP]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [23MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [22MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [24JY]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [19JY]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [7MY]
———modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [10JY]
———preserve access to ambulance services (see S. 424), [19JY]
———preserve access to urban Medicare-dependent hospitals (see S. 1900), [5MR]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [23MY]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [25JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
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National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Endowment for the Oceans: establish (see S. 973), [6FE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute: expand, intensify, and coordinate pulmonary hypertension research activities (see S. 775), [6JN]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [29JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [10SE]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [15MY]
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program: improve (see S. 1696), [21MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Senior citizens: develop and test expanded and advanced role for direct care workers who provide long-term services and supports to older individuals to coordinate care and improve efficiency (see S. 1982), [2FE]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: revise medical criteria for evaluating disability in a person with Huntington's disease and waive Medicare waiting period for individuals disabled by Huntington's disease (see S. 648), [15NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [20MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [15MY]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [10SE]
Taxation: encourage alternative energy investments and job creation (see S. 1863), [17JY]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [10SE]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [10SE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [26JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13FE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [17AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [19SE]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [9MY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [16JY] (see S. 3364), [11JY]
———provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [28JN]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Technology: support innovation (see S. 239), [24JY]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [16AP]
Transportation Security Administration: prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [5JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [27MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18AP]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [26NO]
———improve prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women (see S. 438), [17MY]
———protect breastfeeding, provide performance standards for breast pumps, provide tax incentives to employers to encourage breastfeeding, and provide reasonable break time for nursing mothers (see S. 1463), [10SE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [7JN]
———award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [9FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [27FE]
———provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]
Consumers: increase consumer protections for gift cards (see S. 3636), [26NO]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]

Dept. of Education: establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
Tariff: carbonic dihydrazide (see S. 2508), [7MY]
———copper peptide (AHK-Cu) (see S. 2795), [7MY]
———copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1—1) (see S. 2793), [7MY]
———4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM salt) (see S. 2794), [7MY]
———hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution (see S. 2796), [7MY]
———1-methylimidazole (see S. 2792), [7MY]
———stannic oxide (see S. 2791), [7MY]
———2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA) (see S. 2790), [7MY]
Taxation: extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]

BLUNT, ROY ***(a Senator from Missouri)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [19JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Arab countries: call for protection of religious minority rights and freedoms and urge repeal of blasphemy laws (see S. Res. 150), [28JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [16AP]
———ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [13NO]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [12JN]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
———produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [25JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [19SE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [21MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [1FE]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [15NO]
Dept. of Justice: establish a permanent background check system for youth-serving organization volunteers (see S. 645), [15FE]
———prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
———prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [13MR]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [30JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [23AP]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 1965), [6MR] (see S. 3217), [22MY]

EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [18JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [5JN]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [29MR]
Foreign trade: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [11SE]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [1FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [25AP]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [29JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [13MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [9FE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [19MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [26NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [16AP]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [25AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [26MR]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [22MY]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [21SE]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26JY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [7JN]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [24AP]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [30JA]
———repeal prohibition on using medical savings account funds to purchase over-the-counter medications (see S. 1368), [30JA]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [28DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 1751), [7MY] (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Tariff: recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [30JA]
Taxation: extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [17AP]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [12DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Telephones: restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property (see S. 543), [22MY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [9FE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans: require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [18JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [14FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Diseases: raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Major League Baseball: recognize Kansas City, MO, as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
BOATS *see* **SHIPS AND VESSELS**
BOMBINGS *see* **TERRORISM**
BONNEVILLE UNIT CLEAN HYDROPOWER FACILITATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]

BOOCHEVER, ROBERT
Bills and resolutions
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Reports filed
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]
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BOOZMAN, JOHN ***(a Senator from Arkansas)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in government activities (see S. 165), [6FE]
———prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [26MR]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [22MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [27JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Arab countries: call for protection of religious minority rights and freedoms and urge repeal of blasphemy laws (see S. Res. 150), [27NO]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [29MR]
———award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [26JA]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [17JY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [8MY]
Dept. of Defense: provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [7MY]
Dept. of Education: allow States to enter into performance agreements and combine certain Federal funds to improve academic achievement (see S. 827), [12SE]
———improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [26JN]
Dept. of Energy: require a quadrennial energy review to assess current domestic capabilities and future energy needs (see S. 1703), [8MY]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
———establish Special Envoy To Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia (see S. 1245), [27NO]
———require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [29JN]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [6MR]
———partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [26JY]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [18JN]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [20JN]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [12JY]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [18JN]
———enhance ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, and increase individual savings (see S. 1600), [30JA]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [7MY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [16AP]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [17JY]
———repeal mandate that employers provide health insurance for employees (see S. 20), [23JA]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [29NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [25AP]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [21SE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [7MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [12SE]
———make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [14FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [20JN]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [18AP]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [17JY]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [22MR]

McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [12DE]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [18JY]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [10SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [12SE]
Olympic Games: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [2AU]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [30JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [17AP]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [25JN]
Taxation: clarify eligibility for the child tax credit (see S. 577), [22MY]
———clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [7MY]
———exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [2AU]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [9FE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [8MR]
———provide collegiate housing and infrastructure grants (see S. 705), [6JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal sunset of adoption credit expansion and adoption assistance programs and allow credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final (see S. 82), [13NO]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [13FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [27MR]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [10SE]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
———impose sanctions on individuals who are complicit in human rights abuses against nationals of Vietnam or their families (see S. 1051), [31JA]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [16FE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [7FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Labor: provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
Taxation: repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]

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Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]

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BOSTON, MA
Bills and resolutions
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
White, Kevin H.: tribute (see S. Res. 365), [1FE]

BOSTON COLLEGE
Bills and resolutions
Sports: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]

BOWER, COLIN
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BOXER, BARBARA ***(a Senator from California)***
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Attendance
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [26JY]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [10JY]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [23JA]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: make privately issued student loans dischargeable (see S. 1102), [14JN]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [12DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [1MR]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [7JN]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]

Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require Federal mortgage agencies to consider energy costs in the underwriting process, reduce home energy consumption, and facilitate creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs (see S. 1737), [15MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [27NO]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [7MY]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [2FE]
Dept. of HHS: establish a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee (see S. 1381), [12JN]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [7JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [13JN]
———reduce preterm labor, delivery, and risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity (see S. 1440), [11JN]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [20SE]
———support psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, leverage public and private investment in research, and focus on relationship between psoriasis and its comorbid conditions (see S. 1107), [7MY]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [14MR]
———statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Egypt: recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [31JY]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [24JY]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Firearms: require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [31JY]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
FRS: restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [8MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [30JA]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [29NO]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [20SE]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [14MY]
Los Angeles Kings (hockey team): tribute (see S. Res. 497), [19JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [15MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [12MR]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [20SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [27NO]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [21JN]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [18JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
San Francisco Giants (baseball team): tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [20MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [21MY]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [12MR]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [10MY]
———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [7JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [19SE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [16MY]

———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [9FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [30JY]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [21SE]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [14NO]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [19AP]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [15FE]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [8MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Afterschool Alliance (organization): support goals and ideals of Lights on Afterschool! event (see S. Res. 587), [21SE]
Armed Forces: prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [28FE]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Contracts: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Dept. of HHS: provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
Dept. of Justice: strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to North Carolina (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN]
EPA: reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [8MR]
Reports filed
Albuquerque, NM, Federal Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3370), [1AU]
Alto Lee Adams, Sr., U.S. Courthouse, Fort Pierce, FL: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1791), [10JY]
Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
Great Ape Protection and Cost Savings Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
McKininey Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2326), [27DE]
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]
Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on En-

vironment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]
Wildlife Disease Emergency Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

BOYS TOWN, NE
Bills and resolutions
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]

BOYS TOWN (ORGANIZATION)
Bills and resolutions
Coins: mint in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]

BRAZIL, FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil (see S. 2897), [8MY]

BREVARD COUNTY, FL
Bills and resolutions
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]

BRIDGEPORT INDIAN COLONY LAND TRUST, HEALTH, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]

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Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest: convey a small parcel of land to Brigham Young University (see S. 2471), [26AP]

BRING JOBS HOME ACT
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 3364): motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Motions
Enact (S. 3364), [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]

BRINGING FUGITIVES TO JUSTICE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2183), [12MR]

BROADCASTING *see* **RADIO; TELEVISION**

BRONX, NY *see* **NEW YORK, NY**

BROOKLYN, NY *see* **NEW YORK, NY**

BROWN, SCOTT P. ***(a Senator from Massachusetts)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [25JN]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [25AP]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [11JY]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [24MY]
———issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [21SE]
China: recognize anniversary of persecution of Falun Gong, call for an end to continued persecution, release detained practitioners, and support Tuidang movement renouncing ties to the Communist Party (see S. Res. 232), [19SE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [20SE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [1FE]
Credit: require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [29NO]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: establish a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee (see S. 1381), [24JA]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [14JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: furnish hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, NC, when the well water was contaminated (see S. 277), [28FE]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [25JN]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [19SE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [19SE]
———issue semipostal stamp to support Alzheimer's disease research (see S. Res. 176), [19SE]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [24MY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [14JN]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [25JY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [20JN]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [19SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [23JA]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [20SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]

Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lowell National Historical Park: authorize exchange of land or interest in land (see S. 1215), [25JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [1MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [19SE]
Medicare: allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [19SE]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [19SE]
———expand access to medication therapy management services (see S. 274), [19SE]
———provide coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and other dementia diagnosis and services to improve care and outcomes by increasing detection, diagnosis, care, and planning (see S. 738), [30JA]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [20SE]
———study issues on access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for beneficiaries in all care settings and establish demonstration project on benefits of coverage to administer IVIG in the home (see S. 960), [14MY]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [19SE]
———issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [19SE]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [12JN]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [13SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [9FE]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Salem, MA: recognize as birthplace of the National Guard (see S. 2013), [21SE]
SBA: reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [13SE]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [13SE]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Senate: require candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form (see S. 219), [16AP]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [26AP]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [13FE]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [11SE]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [19JN]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [17AP]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [13NO]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [27FE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [25JN]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [31JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16JY]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [31JY]
———improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
———require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [21SE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [1FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18JN]
White, Kevin H.: tribute (see S. Res. 365), [1FE]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [19SE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [23JA]

Bills and resolutions introduced
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Colleges and universities: require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2834), [7MY]
Dept. of Justice: dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3294), [14JN] (see S. 3490), [2AU]
Dept. of State: require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]
Federal employees: require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
SSA: perform process for closure of field offices (see S. 3489), [2AU]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]

Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [30JA]

BROWN, SHERROD ***(a Senator from Ohio)***

Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [20DE]

Attendance
Present, [23JA]

Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [25JN]
———enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]

Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [16AP]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Credit: exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 1534), [19AP]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [16AP]
———suspend limitation on the period for which certain borrowers are eligible to receive loan guarantees (see S. 368), [14MY]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [5JN]
Dept. of Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [15FE] (see S. 2343), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [19SE]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [19SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [1FE]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———require provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all departmental medical centers (see S. 1147), [28JN]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [13FE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
———designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [17MY]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [19SE]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [24MY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [2AU]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [27JN] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [2JA]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [15FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
GAO: study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Health: extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities (see S. 539), [24JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [21SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [26AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [23AP]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [1FE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [29MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure more timely access to home health services for beneficiaries (see S. 227), [19SE]
———extend reasonable cost contracts (see S. 1497), [5MR]
———provide coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and other dementia diagnosis and services to improve care and outcomes by increasing detection, diagnosis, care, and planning (see S. 738), [20SE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [7JN]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]

National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [21MR]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [14FE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Supreme Court: permit televising of proceedings (see S. 1945), [27MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [14JN]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [25JY]
———extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [7JN]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [26JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13NO]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [21SE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide a tax incentive for installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property (see S. 1526), [2AU]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [9JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [16FE]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [30NO]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [1AU]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
———ensure that U.S. courts provide a forum for claims brought against any railroad arising from the deportation of individuals to Nazi concentration camps (see S. 634), [12SE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Columbus, OH: anniversary (see S. Res. 375), [14FE]
Corps of Engineers: preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Credit: provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Education: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
———minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve provision of work-study allowances for individuals pursuing rehabilitation, education, or training programs (see S. 3503), [2AU]
———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
Federal agencies and departments: require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
Financial institutions: provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Motor vehicles: improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Tariff: (acetato) pentammine cobalt dinitrate with a polymeric or paraffinic carrier mixture (see S. 2501), [26AP]
———alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-dodecylphenol mixtures (see S. 2499), [26AP]
———barium magnesium aluminate phosphor activated by europium or manganese (see S. 2544), [7MY]
———basic violet 11 (see S. 2539), [7MY]
———basic violet 11—1 (see S. 2540), [7MY]
———benzene, polypropene derivatives (see S. 2502), [26AP]
———benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-, with 2-aminoethanol and poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9- octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z) mixtures (see S. 2505), [26AP]
———calcium chloride phosphate phosphor activated by manganese and antimony (see S. 2535), [7MY]
———caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2489), [26AP]
———clarify duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material (see S. 2545), [7MY]
———clearcoat lacquer (see S. 2495), [26AP]
———copper phthalocyanine green 7, crude (see S. 2491), [26AP]
———D-galacto-D-mannan (see S. 2506), [26AP]
———D-galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water (see S. 2504), [26AP]
———ethylene-propylene polymer (see S. 2486), [26AP]
———4,8-dicyclohexyl -6-2,10-dimethyl -12H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]- dioxaphosphocin (see S. 2478), [26AP]
———4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride (see S. 2498), [26AP]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt (see S. 2480), [26AP]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate (see S. 2482), [26AP]
———frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2488), [26AP]
———huron yellow dye (see S. 2549), [7MY]
———invisible blue dye (see S. 2550), [7MY]
———lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium (see S. 2553), [7MY]

———N'-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber mixtures (see S. 2475), [26AP]
———o-chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline) (see S. 2479), [26AP]
———1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde (see S. 2493), [26AP]
———1,3-bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA) (see S. 2503), [26AP]
———1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3-[[[dimethyl[3-[(2-methyl-1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]propyl]ammonio]acety]amino]propyl]-2-hydroxy-N,N,N',N',N'-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide (see S. 2483), [26AP]
———1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H. 31.-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-) (see S. 2481), [26AP]
———1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers) mixture (see S. 2476), [26AP]
———parts of frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2507), [26AP]
———phosphorescent pigment (see S. 2541), [7MY]
———plastic laminate sheets (see S. 2485), [26AP]
———polyethylene glycol, C16 C18 fatty acids, and C2 C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons mixtures (see S. 2497), [26AP]
———p-toluidine (see S. 2484), [26AP]
———reactive red (see S. 2546), [7MY]
———sodium thiocyanate (see S. 2492), [26AP]
———solvent orange 115, marigold orange (see S. 2542), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 160—1, Potomac (see S. 2551), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 195 (see S. 2548), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 131, fluorescent yellow M, Mohawk (see S. 2543), [7MY]
———strontium halophosphate doped with europium (see S. 2547), [7MY]
———3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one (methylionine) (see S. 2500), [26AP]
———3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol (see S. 2490), [26AP]
———2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl acetonitrile (see S. 2487), [26AP]
———2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro- 2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester (see S. 2494), [26AP]
———warp knit open-work fabric (see S. 2477), [26AP]
———yttrium oxide phosphor, activated by europium (see S. 2552), [7MY]
———zinc dicyanato diamine with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2496), [26AP]
Taxation: limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
———make permanent and increase credit for increasing research activities and increase domestic production activities deduction for property for which research and development occurred in the U.S. (see S. 3307), [18JN]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
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Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
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———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
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———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]

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Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
Federal budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
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Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
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———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
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Taxation: reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), [27MR]
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Dept. of Homeland Security Improved Financial Accountability Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1998) (S. Rept. 112–230), [13NO]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
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Bills and resolutions
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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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Dept. of the Interior: provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
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Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
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Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Lumbee Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Bills and resolutions
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
Nevada: provide for land conveyances for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
Yerington, NV: convey certain Federal land (see S. 2228), [22MR]
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Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
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Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
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Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
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Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
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American Community Survey: make participation voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]
———provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
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Foreign trade: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
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Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [19JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [21MR]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Collective bargaining: ensure fairness in election procedures with respect to collective bargaining representatives (see S. 1425), [7MR]
Collector Car Appreciation Day: designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [14NO]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [21MR]
———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [19SE]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [9FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
———disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for tem-

porary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
———ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [19JN]
———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [27MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: modify provisions relative to exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers (see S. 1747), [13FE]
———preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
FDA: expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [18DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [11JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [7FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [7MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [19AP]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [17JY]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [11JN]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [5JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [17JY]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [18AP]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [21MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [31JY]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [7FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration (see S. 3084), [10MY]
FDA: promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
Gold Star Wives Day: designate (see S. Res. 420), [17AP]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Taxation: provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: require judges to reside within a certain distance of the District of Columbia (see S. 2045), [31JA]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
University of North Carolina at Pembroke: anniversary (see S. Res. 414), [29MR]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]

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Bills and resolutions
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

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BUSH, GEORGE ***(41st President of the United States)***
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BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY *related term(s)* **CORPORATIONS**

Bills and resolutions

African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]

Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]

Agriculture: make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]

———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]

———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]

Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]

Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]

———require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]

Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]

———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]

Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]

———make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]

Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]

Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]

CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]

———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]

Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]

Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]

Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]

———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]

———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]

Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]

———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]

Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]

Consumers: increase consumer protections for gift cards (see S. 3636), [26NO]

———list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]

———protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]

Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]

———implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]

Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]

Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]

Courts: provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]

Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]

———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]

Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]

———prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]

Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]

———enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]

———produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]

Dept. of Education: protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]

———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]

———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]

Dept. of HHS: establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]

———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]

Dept. of Homeland Security: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]

Dept. of Justice: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]

———revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]

Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]

———establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]

———minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]

———require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]

———require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]

Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]

———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]

———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]

———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]

Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]

———transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]

Dept. of Veterans Affairs: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]

Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]

Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]

Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]

Economic Espionage Act: clarify scope (see S. 3642), [27NO]

Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]

———create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]

———jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]

———permit voluntary economic activity (see S. 2269), [29MR]

———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]

Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]

Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]

Employment: permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]

———streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]

EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]

FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) post-

ing, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Federal agencies and departments: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
———report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
———require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Fish and fishing: enhance national seafood marketing efforts by creating National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, regional seafood marketing boards, and national coordinating committee (see S. 3615), [21SE]
———support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
———create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
———enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
———prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
FRS: restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
———study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
———enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
———require issuers of long-term care insurance to establish third party review processes for disputed claims (see S. 3230), [23MY]
International economic relations: prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
National objectives: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Natural gas: promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
Olympic Games: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
———require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Power resources: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Privacy: prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
———prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Professional Boxing Safety Act: amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]

———establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [26NO]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
———improve consideration of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (see S. 2373), [26AP]
———require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
———provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): improve (see S. 3246), [24MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small business: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Syria: impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———clarify tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions (see S. 2048), [31JA]
———close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
———expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
———make permanent and increase credit for increasing research activities and increase domestic production activities deduction for property for which research and development occurred in the U.S. (see S. 3307), [18JN]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
———permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans (see S. 3700), [20DE]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide expensing for small businesses (see S. 2284), [16AP]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
Telephones: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills (see S. 3291), [13JN]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Messages
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
National Emergency Relative to Iran: President Obama, [31JY]
Motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]

Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
Innovation Design Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]
Inquiry Into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Dept. of Defense Supply Chain: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–167), [21MY]
Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1100), [19DE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
Prevention of Importation of Merchandise Into the U.S. in a Manner That Evades Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3524) (S. Rept. 112–209), [10SE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

BUY AMERICAN ACT
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]

CAFTA *see* **TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS**

CALIFORNIA
Bills and resolutions
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]

CANADA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]

CANAL ZONE *see* **PANAMA CANAL**

CANTON, OH
Bills and resolutions
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]

CANTWELL, MARIA ***(a Senator from Washington)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agreement on Port State Measures To Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing: implement (see S. 1980), [1MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [24MY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Coast Guard: authorizing appropriations (see S. 1665), [27FE]
Contracts: establish fair procedures for arbitration clauses (see S. 987), [19MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [18AP]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [23JY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 1451), [24JA]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [21SE]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [15NO]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [8MY]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [12JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]

Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [11SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure more timely access to home health services for beneficiaries (see S. 227), [19JN]
———modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [26JY]
———repeal outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps (see S. 829), [10SE]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: allow tribes to adopt their own land leasing regulations (see S. 703), [16JY]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [29MR]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
———impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [21JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [30JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Syria: provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [21SE]
Taxation: expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [22MY]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide for deductibility of charitable contributions to agricultural research organizations (see S. 1561), [7MY]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [7MR]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [27NO]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [26AP]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [1FE]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [23JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [19AP]
Tariff: electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 3045), [9MY]
———injection-molded ABS of PP cases or containers used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games (see S. 3046), [9MY]
———linuron (see S. 3034), [9MY]
———men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3037, 3039), [9MY]
———men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3036, 3038), [9MY]
———men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3041, 3042), [9MY]
———suspension system stabilizer bars (see S. 3044), [9MY]
———terbacil (see S. 3035), [9MY]
———women's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3043), [9MY]
———women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3040), [9MY]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]

CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS
Bills and resolutions
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]
Emancipation Hall: authorize use to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
House of Representatives: repeal authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House (see S. 3528), [11SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of remains (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
Presidents of the U.S.: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Senate: authorize the taking of an official photograph in the Senate Chamber (see S. Res. 381), [28FE] (see S. Res. 405), [22MR]
———permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Reports filed
Legislative Branch of the Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5882) (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]

CAPITOL PAGES *see* **CONGRESS**

CAPITOL POLICE *see* **CONGRESS**

CAPTIVE PRIMATE SAFETY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]

CAPTIVE WILDLIFE SAFETY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]

CARBON COUNTY, UT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]

CARDIN, BENJAMIN L. ***(a Senator from Maryland)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [21MY]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [19SE]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Armed Forces: ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [30JA]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [22MY]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]

Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Contracts: establish fair procedures for arbitration clauses (see S. 987), [26JA]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [26NO]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [19JN]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [7JN]
Dept. of Education: improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [19AP]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [29MR]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [17FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [1FE]
Dept. of State: require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [2AU]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [7MY]
Diseases: expand research, prevention, and awareness activities relative to pulmonary fibrosis (see S. 1350), [20MR]
———foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [30JY]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [23JA]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [9JY]
———designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [12JN]
Family and Medical Leave Act: allow leave to care for a same-sex spouse, domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, or grandparent with a serious health condition (see S. 1283), [29JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [9MY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: establish background check procedures for gun shows (see S. 35), [10SE]
———prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [10SE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [13SE]
———ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [17MY]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [22MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [5JN]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities (see S. 539), [14FE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [26AP]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [13MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [7MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [25JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [30JA]
Medicare: modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [7MR]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [13SE]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [12JN]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [24AP]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [20DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [26AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [25JY]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action

for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [9MY]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [20JN]
Taxation: allow a refundable credit for volunteer members of volunteer firefighting and emergency medical service organizations (see S. 932), [10SE]
———clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [15NO]
———exclude from income amounts received from certain unlawful discrimination claims and allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards from such claims (see S. 1781), [24JA]
———expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector (see S. 974), [28JN]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [10SE]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [13SE]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13FE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [16MY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [16JY]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [23MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [26MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [27FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [23JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [22MY]
Women: constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 21), [6FE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [9FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
American Podiatric Medical Association: anniversary (see S. Res. 528), [24JY]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
EPA: partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
NAACP: anniversary (see S. Res. 520), [16JY]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Small business: modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
Small Business Investment Act: remove sunset date for amendments (see S. 2187), [12MR]
Tariff: black pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2398), [26AP]
———capsicum extracted oleoresin (see S. 2394), [26AP]
———cassia extracted oleoresin (see S. 2395), [26AP]
———celery extracted oleoresin (see S. 2393), [26AP]
———ginger extracted oleoresin (see S. 2392), [26AP]
———turmeric extracted oleoresin (see S. 2396), [26AP]
———white pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2397), [26AP]
Taxation: expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [0JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Education: establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]

CARGO TRANSPORTATION *related term(s)* **AVIATION; MERCHANT MARINE INDUSTRY; RAILROADS; SHIPPING INDUSTRY; TRANSPORTATION; TRUCKING INDUSTRY**
Bills and resolutions
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Reports filed
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]

CARIBBEAN NATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Reports filed
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Tribute to Laura Pollán: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]

CARLISLE, PA
Bills and resolutions
U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility (see S. 3634), [15NO]

CAROLINE COUNTY, MD
Reports filed
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

CARPER, THOMAS R. ***(a Senator from Delaware)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [12SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to re-

sponders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Civil rights: prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 811), [20JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of HHS: establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish Office of Agriculture Inspection (see S. 1673), [18JY]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [7MY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204, 3394), [2AU]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [2AU]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [11SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: count a period of outpatient observation in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services (see S. 818), [10JY]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [10SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JN]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Pharmaceuticals: clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers (see S. 1423), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [16AP] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools (see S. 555), [20JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [14JN]
Tariff: difenoconazole and mefenoxam mixtures (see S. 2618), [7MY]
———flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY]
———1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile (see S. 2619), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2616), [7MY]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [19MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [12DE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [9JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [13MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [28JN]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [27FE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
GAO: repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Medicare: include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Tariff: benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl) (see S. 2597), [7MY]
———black 661 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2606), [7MY]
———black 820 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2607), [7MY]
———buprofezin (see S. 2602), [7MY]
———cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink (see S. 2605), [7MY]
———cyan 854 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2604), [7MY]
———dichloroacetyl chloride (see S. 2598), [7MY]
———fenpyroximate (see S. 2599), [7MY]
———flutolanil (see S. 2601), [7MY]
———phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2595), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2600), [7MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 2592), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam (see S. 2594), [7MY]
———tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
———triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
———trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]
———ultraviolet lamps filled with deuterium gas (see S. 2591), [7MY]
Cloture motions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]

CASEY, ROBERT P., JR. ***(a Senator from Pennsylvania)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [28JN]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [29JN]
Army: require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [21MR]
Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [27MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]

Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [27JN]
Consumers: increase consumer protections for gift cards (see S. 3636), [10DE]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———increase penalties for counterfeit drug trafficking (see S. 1886), [1MR]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [21MR]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [16FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [6FE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [13SE]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [12JN]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [29MR]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [27MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: intensify efforts to identify, prevent, and recover payment error, waste, fraud, and abuse within Federal spending (see S. 1409), [12MR]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [8MY]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [5JN]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [25AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [23AP]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Law enforcement officers: include fire police officers in the list of officers who are eligible for public safety officers' death benefits (see S. 1315), [9FE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify and expand on criteria applicable to patient admission to and care furnished in participating long-term care hospitals (see S. 1486), [30JA]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [15MY]
———preserve access to ambulance services (see S. 424), [24JA]
———provide coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and other dementia diagnosis and services to improve care and outcomes by increasing detection, diagnosis, care, and planning (see S. 738), [23AP]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [12JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 1749), [21MY] (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [12JY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [14NO]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [19DE]
Petroleum: make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal (see S. 394), [6MR]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [24AP]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (see S. 1933), [5MR]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [21SE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [21MR]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [20JN]

Taxation: make permanent and increase credit for increasing research activities and increase domestic production activities deduction for property for which research and development occurred in the U.S. (see S. 3307), [18JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [22MR]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [25AP]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [16JY]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [21SE]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [1AU]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [26JY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [19SE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
———ensure that U.S. courts provide a forum for claims brought against any railroad arising from the deportation of individuals to Nazi concentration camps (see S. 634), [23JA]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Children's Grief Awareness Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 590), [13NO]
Controlled Substances Act: prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
———develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
Employment: permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
FDA: reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
Natural gas: promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
———provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building, Ellwood City, PA: designate (see S. 3386), [16JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
Tariff: Agilon 400 (see S. 2661), [7MY]
———air pressure distillation columns (see S. 2731), [7MY]
———alkene polymers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene mixture (see S. 2740), [7MY]
———alpha-phenyl-2-piperdylacetic acid (see S. 2732), [7MY]
———alpha-threo phenyl-2-piperidyl acetamide (see S. 2730), [7MY]
———aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients mixtures (see S. 2750), [7MY]
———Ancamine 2422 (see S. 2675), [7MY]
———Bayderm bottom DLV-N (see S. 2709), [7MY]
———Bayowet C4 (see S. 2712), [7MY]
———benzamine, dodecyl-, branched (see S. 2748), [7MY]
———brine electrolysis ion exchange apparatus (see S. 2660), [7MY]
———captan (see S. 2771), [7MY]
———cerium nitrate (see S. 2739), [7MY]
———chemical mixtures (see S. 2727, 2733), [7MY]
———chemicals (see S. 2772), [7MY]
———chlorobenzene (see S. 2694), [7MY]
———chloromethylbenzene (see S. 2715), [7MY]
———cypermethrin (see S. 2780), [7MY]
———cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2726), [7MY]
———di-cup organic peroxide (see S. 2711), [7MY]
———diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated (see S. 2653), [7MY]
———dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol copolymer and 2-oxepanone (see S. 2763), [7MY]
———dimethyl dicarbonate (see S. 2697), [7MY]
———dimethylisopropylamine (DMIPA) (see S. 2687), [7MY]
———Disflamoll DPK (see S. 2718), [7MY]
———Disflamoll TOF (see S. 2684), [7MY]
———11-aminoundecanoic acid (see S. 2698), [7MY]
———europium oxide (see S. 2744), [7MY]
———ferroniobium (see S. 2673), [7MY]
———fiberglass sheets used in flooring (see S. 2708), [7MY]
———5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1'methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether blocked hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide polymer (see S. 2773), [7MY]
———5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol (see S. 2736), [7MY]
———fluopyram and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2681), [7MY]
———fluopyram and prothioconazole mixtures (see S. 2719), [7MY]
———fluopyram and pyrimethanil mixtures (see S. 2721), [7MY]
———fluopyram and tebuconazole mixtures (see S. 2680), [7MY]
———fluopyram and trifloxystrobin mixtures (see S. 2720), [7MY]
———formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4'-methylendianiline mixtures (see S. 2738), [7MY]
———fosetyl-Al (see S. 2704), [7MY]
———4,4'-oxydianiline (see S. 2754), [7MY]
———4-bromobenzyl bromide (see S. 2734), [7MY]
———gadolinium oxide (see S. 2741), [7MY]
———helium (see S. 2735), [7MY]
———iminodisuccinate (see S. 2706), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized (see S. 2657), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized (see S. 2683), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid cross-linked with divinylbenzene, potassium ionic form (see S. 2656), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin-methanamine, N methyl reaction products with chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer (see S. 2658), [7MY]
———knitted or crocheted fabrics containing elastomeric yarn (see S. 2743), [7MY]
———Lambda-Cy (see S. 2766), [7MY]
———lanthanum, cerium, and terbium phosphates mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2747), [7MY]
———lanthanum oxide (see S. 2742), [7MY]
———Levapren-Levamel (see S. 2707), [7MY]
———liquid-filled glass bulbs designed for sprinkler systems and other release devices (see S. 2769), [7MY]
———metallic manganese (see S. 2669), [7MY]
———methanesulfonic acid (see S. 2714), [7MY]
———methanesulfonyl chloride (see S. 2717), [7MY]
———methyl sulfanilylcarbamate sodium salt (see S. 2777), [7MY]
———methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer (see S. 2659), [7MY]
———micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12; and polyamide 6, 12 (see S. 2693), [7MY]
———N,N'N''-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H,4H,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide (see S. 2775), [7MY]
———n-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline (see S. 2751), [7MY]
———N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-ethanedioate (see S. 2674), [7MY]
———nitroaniline (see S. 2756), [7MY]
———N-[methoxy(methylthio)phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation (see S. 2774), [7MY]
———o-acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) (see S. 2758), [7MY]
———1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid (see S. 2672), [7MY]
———1,6-diisocyanato-hexane homopolymer, polyethylene-polypropylene glycol mono-Bu ether blocked (see S. 2779), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol dimethyl carbonate polymer (see S. 2767), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol-dimethyl carbonate copolymer (see S. 2765), [7MY]
———1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane (see S. 2786), [7MY]
———1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane (see S. 2784), [7MY]
———1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl (see S. 2677), [7MY]
———1H-[1,2,4]triazole (see S. 2678), [7MY]
———1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetrazol-5-one (see S. 2671), [7MY]
———oryzalin (see S. 2782), [7MY]
———oxyfluorfen (see S. 2768), [7MY]
———p-dichlorobenzene (see S. 2695), [7MY]
———phenmedipham (see S. 2701), [7MY]

———phenyl esters of C10 C18 alkylsulfonic acids mixtures (see S. 2692), [7MY]
———phenyl isocyanate (see S. 2665), [7MY]
———phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide (see S. 2728), [7MY]
———phosphorus sulfochloride (see S. 2699), [7MY]
———picoxystrobin (see S. 2752), [7MY]
———pigment violet 23 (see S. 2663), [7MY]
———pigments based on titanium dioxide (see S. 2662), [7MY]
———piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets (see S. 2696), [7MY]
———p-nitrotoluene (see S. 2691), [7MY]
———polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing triphenylmethane triisocyanate in solvents (see S. 2788), [7MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2690), [7MY]
———poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2689), [7MY]
———poly(toluene diisocyanate) (see S. 2760), [7MY]
———potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H,3H-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate (see S. 2753), [7MY]
———Preventol O extra (see S. 2789), [7MY]
———Preventol ON extra preservative (see S. 2686), [7MY]
———p-toluidine (see S. 2688), [7MY]
———pyrimethanil (see S. 2700), [7MY]
———pyromellitic dianhydride (see S. 2757), [7MY]
———rolled glass in sheets (see S. 2679), [7MY]
———(RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole (see S. 2724), [7MY]
———smooth nonwoven fiberglass sheets of a type primarily used as acoustical facing for ceiling panels (see S. 2705), [7MY]
———spirodiclofen (see S. 2702), [7MY]
———spirotetramat (see S. 2722), [7MY]
———stainless steel single piece exhaust gas manifolds (see S. 2737), [7MY]
———strong base anionic resin (see S. 2682), [7MY]
———styrene, ar-ethyl-, polymer with divinylbenzene and styrene beads with low ash (see S. 2655), [7MY]
———tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate (see S. 2716), [7MY]
———thiacloprid (see S. 2723), [7MY]
———thidiazuron (see S. 2725), [7MY]
———thionyl chloride (see S. 2710), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl (see S. 2787), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2776), [7MY]
———3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine (see S. 2759), [7MY]
———3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate in organic solvent reaction product (see S. 2770, 2778), [7MY]
———3,3',4,4'-biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride (see S. 2755), [7MY]
———triethylenediamine (see S. 2729), [7MY]
———tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate mixtures (see S. 2762), [7MY]
———tungsten carbide (see S. 2670), [7MY]
———tungsten concentrate (see S. 2666), [7MY]
———tungsten oxide (see S. 2668), [7MY]
———2,5-dimethyl-2, 5 hexanediol (dimethylhexanediol) (see S. 2685), [7MY]
———2,3-dichloronitrobenzene (see S. 2664), [7MY]
———2-acetylbutyrolactone (see S. 2703), [7MY]
———2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldehyde (see S. 2676), [7MY]
———2-chlorotoluene (see S. 2713), [7MY]
———2-ethylhexylamine (see S. 2761), [7MY]
———2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethyl-cyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked (see S. 2783), [7MY]
———2-propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene (see S. 2654), [7MY]
———vacuum-grade ferroniobium (see S. 2667), [7MY]
———vat violet 10 (see S. 2764), [7MY]
———water-dispersible polyisocyanate products in nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-demethyl-, 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanathohexane homopolymer (see S. 2781), [7MY]
———xylidine mixtures (see S. 2745), [7MY]
———yttrium oxide and europium oxide mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2749), [7MY]
———yttrium oxides (see S. 2746), [7MY]
———zinc dimethyldithiocarbamate (see S. 2785), [7MY]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions (see S. 2048), [31JA]
———extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Reports filed
Joint Economic Report: Committee on Economics (Joint) (S. Rept. 112–253), [18DE]

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Education: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]

CEDAR PARK, TX
Reports filed
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 298), [25AP]

CEMETERIES AND FUNERALS *related term(s)* **NATIONAL CEMETERIES**
Bills and resolutions
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [19AP]
Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
———ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]

CENSUS
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
National objectives: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]

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CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION
Bills and resolutions
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES
Bills and resolutions
Medicare: repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders

of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]

CENTRAL AMERICA
Bills and resolutions
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Intelligence services: authorizing appropriations (see S. 3454), [30JY]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Reports filed
Intelligence Services Appropriations: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3454) (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE *related term(s)* **U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Bills and resolutions
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]

CHAMBLISS, SAXBY ***(a Senator from Georgia)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [30JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [6JN]
American Podiatric Medical Association: anniversary (see S. Res. 528), [24JY]
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [13NO]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [18AP]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [12MR]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [23AP]
Credit: restore and repair mortgage markets by making them transparent, bringing in private capital, and winding down Government-sponsored enterprises (see S. 1834), [7FE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [25JY]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [16JY]
———produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [8MY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [24JA]
Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [26JA]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [10MY]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———terminate the U.S. Mint Presidential $1 Coin Program (see S. 1385), [12JY]
Diseases: expand research, prevention, and awareness activities relative to pulmonary fibrosis (see S. 1350), [26NO]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
English language: reaffirm as official language of U.S., establish uniform English language rule for naturalization, and avoid misconstructions of English language texts of U.S. laws (see S. 503), [11JN]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: modify provisions relative to exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers (see S. 1747), [9JY]
———preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
FDA: provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [17FE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [26JY]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [27JN]
Federal employees: make persons having seriously delinquent tax debts ineligible for Federal employment (see S. 376), [26JA]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [24MY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [16AP]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [27NO]
Government regulations: prohibit agencies from taking any significant regulatory action until the unemployment rate is equal to or less than a certain level (see S. 1438), [12SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [21JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [25AP]
Intelligence services: specifically authorize certain funds for intelligence or intelligence-related activity (see S. 3314), [19JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to reporting requirements for interest on deposits maintained at U.S. offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals (see S.J. Res. 40), [22MY]
———make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [10MY]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [22MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP] (see S. 3292), [20JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condo-

lences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [15MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25JY]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [17FE]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [25JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [5JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [31JA]
———repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [15FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [13NO]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [12SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [27NO]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [21JN]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [6JN]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [10SE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [17AP]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [17MY]
Telephones: restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property (see S. 543), [20MR]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [7FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [14MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [5JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [19JN]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [24AP]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
———award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [27NO]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Bills and resolutions introduced
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]

CHARITIES *related term(s)* **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**
Bills and resolutions
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Major League Baseball: recognize Kansas City, MO, as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
———exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
Transportation Security Administration: transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [27NO]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
Motions
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]

CHAVEZ, CESAR E.
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]

CHEMICAL WEAPONS *related term(s)* **WEAPONS**
Bills and resolutions
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]

CHEMICALS
Bills and resolutions
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Tariff: acetamiprid, whether or not combined with application adjuvants (see S. 2430), [26AP]
———acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene-, pentyl ester (see S. 3115), [10MY]
———acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide (see S. 2821), [7MY]
———acid blue 324 (see S. 3104), [10MY]
———acifluorfen (see S. 3146), [10MY]
———A5546 sulfonamide (see S. 2590), [7MY]
———Agilon 400 (see S. 2661), [7MY]
———agrumex (see S. 3001), [8MY]
———alginic acid, ammonium alginate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate (see S. 2833), [7MY]
———alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-dodecylphenol mixtures (see S. 2499), [26AP]
———alkene polymers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene mixture, [7MY]
———allyl caproate (see S. 2973), [8MY]
———allyl cyclohexyl propionate (see S. 2972), [8MY]
———allyl heptoate (see S. 2966), [8MY]
———allyl isosulfocynate (see S. 3000), [8MY]
———alpha-phenyl-2-piperdylacetic acid (see S. 2732), [7MY]
———alpha-threo phenyl-2-piperidyl acetamide (see S. 2730), [7MY]
———Amberwood F (see S. 2965), [8MY]
———aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients mixtures (see S. 2750), [7MY]
———anatase titanium dioxide (see S. 2457), [26AP]
———Ancamine 2422 (see S. 2675), [7MY]
———anisic aldehyde (see S. 3002), [8MY]
———ascorbic acid encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2646), [7MY]
———avermectin B (see S. 2624), [7MY]
———azoxystrobin (see S. 2631), [7MY]
———barium magnesium aluminate phosphor activated by europium or manganese (see S. 2544), [7MY]

———basic blue 7 (see S. 2824), [7MY]
———basic red 1 (see S. 2826), [7MY]
———basic red 1—1 (see S. 2825), [7MY]
———basic violet 1 (see S. 2827), [7MY]
———basic violet 11 (see S. 2539), [7MY]
———basic violet 11—1 (see S. 2540), [7MY]
———Bayderm bottom DLV-N (see S. 2709), [7MY]
———Bayowet C4 (see S. 2712), [7MY]
———b-cyfluthrin (see S. 3023, 3025), [8MY]
———benzamine, dodecyl-, branched (see S. 2748), [7MY]
———benzene, polypropene derivatives (see S. 2502), [26AP]
———benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl) (see S. 2597), [7MY]
———benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-, with 2-aminoethanol and poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9- octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z) mixtures (see S. 2505), [26AP]
———benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt (see S. 2802), [7MY]
———benzyl carbazate (see S. 2615), [7MY]
———benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol (see S. 2353), [25AP]
———bifenazate (see S. 2855), [8MY]
———bis-phenol (see S. 2900), [8MY]
———bisphenol A bis(3-methacryloyloxypropyl) ether substituted dimethacylate (see S. 2639), [7MY]
———bis(2,3-dibromopropyl ether) of tetrabromobisphenol A (see S. 2865), [8MY]
———bitolylene diisocyanate (see S. 2391), [26AP]
———brine electrolysis ion exchange apparatus (see S. 2660), [7MY]
———buprofezin (see S. 2602), [7MY]
———butanamide, N-(2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1 H-benzimidazol-5-yl)-2-[2-(2-methoxyphenyl) diazenyl]-3-oxo (see S. 2803), [7MY]
———butane, 1-chloro (see S. 2894), [8MY]
———butralin (see S. 2856), [8MY]
———calcium chloride phosphate phosphor activated by manganese and antimony (see S. 2535), [7MY]
———canagliflozin (see S. 2921), [8MY]
———caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2489), [26AP]
———captan (see S. 2512, 2771), [7MY]
———carbaryl (see S. 2587), [7MY]
———carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol (see S. 2926), [8MY]
———carbonic dihydrazide (see S. 2508), [7MY]
———cerium nitrate (see S. 2739), [7MY]
———cerium sulfide pigments (see S. 2942), [8MY]
———C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes (see S. 2635), [7MY]
———C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers mixtures (see S. 2636), [7MY]
———chemical mixtures (see S. 2727, 2733), [7MY] (see S. 3101, 3102, 3103, 3105, 3114), [10MY]
———chemicals (see S. 2772), [7MY] (see S. 2979, 3004), [8MY]
———chlorobenzene (see S. 2694), [7MY]
———chloromethylbenzene (see S. 2715), [7MY]
———cinnamic acid (see S. 2352), [25AP]
———cis-3-hexen-1-ol (see S. 2431), [26AP]
———citronitile (see S. 2964), [8MY]
———clodinafop-propargyl (see S. 2626), [7MY]
———cloquintocet-mexyl (see S. 2632), [7MY]
———clothianidin (see S. 3015), [8MY]
———clothianidin and bacillus firmus product mixtures (see S. 3008), [8MY]
———cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1—1) (see S. 3111), [10MY]
———C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine (see S. 2637), [7MY]
———copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid) (see S. 2638), [7MY]
———copper peptide (AHK-Cu) (see S. 2795), [7MY]
———copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1—1) (see S. 2793), [7MY]
———C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene (see S. 2435), [26AP]
———cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt (see S. 3112), [10MY]
———cyanamide (see S. 2349), [25AP]
———cyanuric chloride (see S. 2436), [26AP]
———cyasorb 1164 (see S. 2902), [8MY]
———cyasorb 2908 (see S. 2898), [8MY]
———cyasorb 3346 (see S. 2901), [8MY]
———cyclogalbanate (see S. 2963), [8MY]
———cyclopentylpropionyl chloride (see S. 2348), [25AP]
———cyflufenamid (see S. 2428), [26AP]
———cyfluthrin (see S. 3024), [8MY]
———cyhalothrin mixtures (see S. 2955), [8MY]
———cypermethrin (see S. 2780), [7MY] (see S. 3139), [10MY]
———cyproconazole (see S. 2625), [7MY]
———cyprodinil (see S. 2908), [8MY]
———cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2726), [7MY]
———damascenone (see S. 2931), [8MY]
———daminozide (see S. 2862), [8MY]
———DEMBB (see S. 2524), [7MY]
———D-galacto-D-mannan (see S. 2506), [26AP]
———D-galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water (see S. 2504), [26AP]
———diaminodecane (see S. 2994), [8MY]
———dichloroacetyl chloride (see S. 2598), [7MY]
———di-cup organic peroxide (see S. 2711), [7MY]
———diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated (see S. 2653), [7MY]
———diethylaminoethyl-dextran (see S. 2350), [25AP]
———difenoconazole (see S. 2907), [8MY]
———difenoconazole and mefenoxam mixtures (see S. 2618), [7MY]
———dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol copolymer and 2-oxepanone (see S. 2763), [7MY]
———dimethyl dicarbonate (see S. 2697), [7MY]
———dimethyl hydrogen phosphite (see S. 3011), [8MY]
———dimethyl malonate (see S. 3031), [8MY]
———dimethylisopropylamine (DMIPA) (see S. 2687), [7MY]
———diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2981), [8MY]
———Disflamoll DPK (see S. 2718), [7MY]
———Disflamoll TOF (see S. 2684), [7MY]
———disperse blue 77 (see S. 3110), [10MY]
———disperse red 60 (see S. 3119), [10MY]
———disperse yellow 64 (see S. 3118), [10MY]
———D-mannose (see S. 3028), [8MY]
———dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan (see S. 2930), [8MY]
———Dragosantol (see S. 2962), [8MY]
———e-caprolactone-neopentylglycol copolymer (see S. 2927), [8MY]
———e-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer (see S. 2939), [8MY]
———11-aminoundecanoic acid (see S. 2698), [7MY]
———esfenvalerate technical (see S. 2610), [7MY]
———ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(4-isodecylphenyl)- (see S. 3169), [10MY]
———ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate (see S. 3108), [10MY]
———ethanoyl chloride (see S. 3172), [10MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced (see S. 3033), [9MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated (see S. 2985), [8MY]
———ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro (see S. 3005), [8MY]
———ethyl salicilate (see S. 2976), [8MY]
———ethyl 2-(isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate (see S. 2614), [7MY]
———ethylene-propylene polymer (see S. 2486), [26AP]
———etridiazole (see S. 2871), [8MY]
———europium oxide (see S. 2744), [7MY]
———famoxadone, cymoxanil, and application adjuvants (see S. 2609), [7MY]
———fenamidone (see S. 3135), [10MY]
———fenhexamid (see S. 3133), [10MY]
———fenoxaprop-p-ethyl, pyrasulfotole, bromoxynil octanoate, bromoxynil heptanoate, and mefenpyr-diethyl mixtures (see S. 3012, 3022), [8MY]
———fenpyroximate (see S. 2599), [7MY]
———5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1'methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether blocked hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide polymer (see S. 2773), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2828), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2829), [7MY]
———5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol (see S. 2736), [7MY]
———flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY] (see S. 3132, 3162), [10MY]
———fludioxonil (see S. 2627), [7MY]
———fluopicolide (see S. 3134), [10MY]
———fluopyram (see S. 3130), [10MY]
———fluopyram and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2681), [7MY]
———fluopyram and prothioconazole mixtures (see S. 2719), [7MY]
———fluopyram and pyrimethanil mixtures (see S. 2721), [7MY]
———fluopyram and tebuconazole mixtures (see S. 2680), [7MY]
———fluopyram and trifloxystrobin mixtures (see S. 2720), [7MY]
———fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride (see S. 2641), [7MY]
———flutolanil (see S. 2601), [7MY]
———formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate (see S. 2537), [7MY]
———formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4'-methylendianiline mixtures (see S. 2738), [7MY]
———fosamine (see S. 2513), [7MY]
———fosetyl-Al (see S. 2704), [7MY]
———4,8-dicyclohexyl -6-2,10-dimethyl -12H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]- dioxaphosphocin (see S. 2478), [26AP]
———4,4'-butylidenebis [3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol] (see S. 2863), [8MY]
———4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl sulfone (see S. 2980), [8MY]
———4,4'-methylenebis(2-chloroaniline) (see S. 2860), [8MY]
———4,4'-oxydianiline (see S. 2754), [7MY]
———4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride (see S. 2498), [26AP]
———4,4'-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol] (see S. 2866), [8MY]
———4-bromobenzyl bromide (see S. 2734), [7MY]
———4-chlorobenzaldehyde (see S. 3021), [8MY]
———4-chloro-3,5-dinitro- a,a,a- trifluorotoluene (see S. 3099), [10MY]
———4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid (see S. 2623), [7MY]
———4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine (see S. 2336), [23AP]
———4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine (see S. 2328), [23AP]
———4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM salt) (see S. 2794), [7MY]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt (see S. 2480), [26AP]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate (see S. 2482), [26AP]
———Frescolat MGA (see S. 2967), [8MY]

———Frescolat ML (see S. 2968), [8MY]
———gadolinium oxide (see S. 2741), [7MY]
———gallium unwrought (see S. 2460), [26AP]
———germanium oxides (see S. 2459), [26AP]
———germanium unwrought (see S. 2458), [26AP]
———glufosinate-ammonium (GA) (see S. 2356), [25AP]
———glyoxylic acid (see S. 2520), [7MY]
———helional (see S. 2432), [26AP]
———helium (see S. 2735), [7MY]
———helvetolide (see S. 2928), [8MY]
———hexane, 1,6-dichloro- (see S. 2896), [8MY]
———Hostanox P-EPQ (see S. 3168), [10MY]
———Hostapur SAS (see S. 3142), [10MY]
———Hostavin 3055 (see S. 3170), [10MY]
———Hostavin 3058 (see S. 3141), [10MY]
———huron yellow dye (see S. 2549), [7MY]
———hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution (see S. 2796), [7MY]
———hydrolite 5 (see S. 2998), [8MY]
———Hydrolite 6 (see S. 2969), [8MY]
———imazalil (see S. 2922), [8MY]
———imazalil mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2918), [8MY]
———imidacloprid (see S. 2385), [26AP] (see S. 3136), [10MY]
———imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its b-cyfluthrin isomer mixtures (see S. 2384), [26AP]
———imidacloprid and thiodicarb mixtures (see S. 2381), [26AP]
———imidacloprid with application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2383), [26AP]
———iminodisuccinate (see S. 2706), [7MY]
———indaziflam (see S. 3131, 3161), [10MY]
———invisible blue dye (see S. 2550), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized (see S. 2657), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized (see S. 2683), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid cross-linked with divinylbenzene, potassium ionic form (see S. 2656), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin-methanamine, N methyl reaction products with chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer (see S. 2658), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resins (see S. 3030), [8MY]
———ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether (see S. 3029), [8MY]
———ipconazole (see S. 2853), [8MY]
———lanthanum, cerium, and terbium phosphates mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2747), [7MY]
———lanthanum oxide (see S. 2742), [7MY]
———lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium (see S. 2553), [7MY]
———Laromer PE 55 F (see S. 2532), [7MY]
———linuron (see S. 3034), [9MY]
———lithium carbonate (see S. 3153), [10MY]
———lithium chloride (see S. 3152), [10MY]
———lutetium oxide (see S. 2943), [8MY]
———magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid (see S. 2434), [26AP]
———magnesium peroxide (see S. 2986), [8MY]
———magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid (see S. 2433), [26AP]
———majantol (see S. 2997), [8MY]
———mandipropamid (see S. 2521), [7MY]
———manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin (see S. 3071), [9MY]
———manganese flake (see S. 2379), [26AP]
———menthol-D (see S. 2970), [8MY]
———mesosulfuron-methyl (see S. 3009), [8MY]
———mesotrione (see S. 2525), [7MY]
———metallic manganese (see S. 2669), [7MY]
———methanesulfonic acid (see S. 2714), [7MY]
———methanesulfonyl chloride (see S. 2717), [7MY]
———methidathion (see S. 2950), [8MY]
———methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene (see S. 2991), [8MY]
———methyl cinnamate (see S. 2975), [8MY]
———methyl 4-([(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H. 1.2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-aminosulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2382), [26AP]
———methyl 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate (see S. 2608), [7MY]
———methyl salicylate (see S. 2916, 2999), [8MY]
———methyl sulfanilylcarbamate sodium salt (see S. 2777), [7MY]
———methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5- triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2612), [7MY]
———methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer (see S. 2659), [7MY]
———micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12; and polyamide 6, 12 (see S. 2693), [7MY]
———monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil (see S. 3027), [8MY]
———mucochloric acid (see S. 3098), [10MY]
———muscenone delta (see S. 2932), [8MY]
———N,N-hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenylpropionamide)) (see S. 2869), [8MY]
———N,N’N’’-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H,4H,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide (see S. 2775), [7MY]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline), 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt (zinc pyrithione) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2424), [26AP]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2425), [26AP]
———Neo Heliopan Hydro (see S. 2971), [8MY]
———neon, compressed (see S. 2941), [8MY]
———neononyl acetate (see S. 2982), [8MY]
———n-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline (see S. 2751), [7MY]
———N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-ethanedioate (see S. 2674), [7MY]
———9, 10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-(CAS No. 32588-54-8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)- (see S. 2978), [8MY]
———nitroaniline (see S. 2756), [7MY]
———N-[methoxy(methylthio)phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation (see S. 2774), [7MY]
———n-propyl gallate (see S. 2440), [26AP]
———N’-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber mixtures (see S. 2475), [26AP]
———N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone mixtures (see S. 2990), [8MY]
———Nylostab Seed (see S. 3171), [10MY]
———o-chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline) (see S. 2479), [26AP]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2977), [8MY] (see S. 3032), [9MY]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene,oxidized, polymerized, reduced (see S. 3007), [8MY]
———1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid (see S. 2672), [7MY]
———1,6-diisocyanato-hexane homopolymer, polyethylene-polypropylene glycol mono-Bu ether blocked (see S. 2779), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol dimethyl carbonate polymer (see S. 2767), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol-dimethyl carbonate copolymer (see S. 2765), [7MY]
———1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)- (see S. 2895), [8MY]
———1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde (see S. 2493), [26AP]
———1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile (see S. 2619), [7MY]
———1,3-bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA) (see S. 2503), [26AP]
———1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane (see S. 2786), [7MY]
———1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3-[[[dimethyl[3-[(2-methyl-1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]propyl]ammonio]acety]amino]propyl]-2-hydroxy-N,N,N’,N’,N’-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide (see S. 2483), [26AP]
———1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane (see S. 2784), [7MY]
———1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl (see S. 2677), [7MY]
———1-chloro-2-propanone (see S. 2523), [7MY]
———1H-[1,2,4]triazole (see S. 2678), [7MY]
———1-methylimidazole (see S. 2792), [7MY]
———1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H. 31.-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-) (see S. 2481), [26AP]
———1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers) mixture (see S. 2476), [26AP]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2993), [8MY]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed (see S. 2992), [8MY]
———1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetrazol-5-one (see S. 2671), [7MY]
———o-nitrophenol (see S. 2522), [7MY]
———oryzalin (see S. 2782), [7MY]
———o-toluidine (see S. 2514), [7MY]
———oxadiazon (see S. 2354), [25AP]
———oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2989), [8MY]
———oxyfluorfen (see S. 2768), [7MY] (see S. 3145), [10MY]
———paclobutrazol (see S. 2951), [8MY]
———p-aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide) (see S. 2822), [7MY]
———para-methoxyphenol (see S. 2528), [7MY]
———paraquat and emetic mixtures (see S. 2905), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride (see S. 2857), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride and inerts (see S. 2858), [8MY]
———PCBTF (see S. 2843), [8MY]
———PCBTF with acid acceptor (see S. 2842), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antioxidant (see S. 2841), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antistatic (see S. 2852), [8MY]
———PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor (see S. 2844), [8MY]
———p-dichlorobenzene (see S. 2695), [7MY]
———penflufen (see S. 2386), [26AP]
———pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (see S. 2859), [8MY]
———perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (see S. 2643), [7MY]
———perfluorocarbon amines (see S. 2634), [7MY]
———permethrin (see S. 3020), [8MY]
———PHBA (see S. 2995), [8MY]
———phenmedipham (see S. 2701), [7MY]
———phenyl esters of C10 C18 alkylsulfonic acids mixtures (see S. 2692), [7MY]
———phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate (see S. 2611), [7MY]
———phenyl isocyanate (see S. 2665), [7MY]
———phenylethyl isobutyrate (see S. 2983), [8MY]
———phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide (see S. 2728), [7MY]
———phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex (see S. 2987), [8MY]
———phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde mixtures (see S. 3013), [8MY]
———phosphorescent pigment (see S. 2541), [7MY]
———phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped (see S. 3010), [8MY]
———phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2595), [7MY] (see S. 2868), [8MY]

———phosphorus sulfochloride (see S. 2699), [7MY]
———picoxystrobin (see S. 2589), [7MY]
———pigment red 187 (see S. 2831), [7MY]
———pigment violet 23 (see S. 2663), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 151 (see S. 3167), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 154 (see S. 3165), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 175 (see S. 3166), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 180 (see S. 2801), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 181 (see S. 2832), [7MY]
———pigments based on titanium dioxide (see S. 2662), [7MY]
———pinoxaden (see S. 2633), [7MY]
———piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets (see S. 2696), [7MY]
———p-nitrotoluene (see S. 2691), [7MY]
———polyethylene glycol, C16 C18 fatty acids, and C2 C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons mixtures (see S. 2497), [26AP]
———polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing triphenylmethane triisocyanate in solvents (see S. 2788), [7MY]
———polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol (see S. 2925), [8MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2690), [7MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate mixtures (see S. 3072), [9MY]
———poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2689), [7MY]
———poly(toluene diisocyanate) (see S. 2760), [7MY]
———poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane) (see S. 2940), [8MY]
———poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde) (see S. 2533), [7MY]
———polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone mixtures (see S. 2518), [7MY]
———potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H,3H-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate (see S. 2753), [7MY]
———potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2640), [7MY]
———potassium sorbate (see S. 2439), [26AP]
———preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium (see S. 2846), [8MY]
———Preventol O extra (see S. 2789), [7MY]
———Preventol ON extra preservative (see S. 2686), [7MY]
———profenofos (see S. 2960), [8MY]
———propargite (see S. 2870), [8MY]
———propiconazole (see S. 2906, 2917), [8MY]
———propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2923), [8MY]
———propoxur (2-(1-methylethoxy)phenol methylcarbamate) (see S. 3026), [8MY]
———propoxycarbazone-sodium (see S. 3019), [8MY]
———propylene glycol alginates (see S. 2837), [7MY]
———p-toluenesulfonamide (see S. 2426), [26AP]
———p-toluidine (see S. 2484), [26AP] (see S. 2688), [7MY]
———pymetrozine (see S. 2630), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2600, 2616), [7MY]
———pyrimethanil (see S. 2700), [7MY] (see S. 2924), [8MY]
———pyrithiobac-sodium (see S. 2613), [7MY]
———pyromellitic dianhydride (see S. 2757), [7MY]
———(R,S)—2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester (see S. 2629), [7MY]
———reactive black 5 (see S. 3106), [10MY]
———reactive black 31 (see S. 3164), [10MY]
———reactive red (see S. 2546), [7MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom (see S. 2936), [8MY]
———(RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole (see S. 2724), [7MY]
———s-metolachlor (see S. 2519), [7MY]
———sodium alginate (see S. 2836), [7MY]
———sodium ferrocyanide (see S. 2443), [26AP]
———sodium hypophosphite monohydrate (see S. 2437, 2456), [26AP] (see S. 3014), [8MY]
———sodium monochloroacetate (see S. 3163), [10MY]
———sodium thiocyanate (see S. 2492), [26AP]
———solvent orange 115, marigold orange (see S. 2542), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 160—1, Potomac (see S. 2551), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 195 (see S. 2548), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 131, fluorescent yellow M, Mohawk (see S. 2543), [7MY]
———sorbic acid (see S. 2438), [26AP]
———spirodiclofen (see S. 2702), [7MY]
———spiromesifen (see S. 3017), [8MY] (see S. 3160), [10MY]
———spirotetramat (see S. 2722), [7MY]
———stannic oxide (see S. 2791), [7MY]
———strong base anionic resin (see S. 2682), [7MY]
———strontium halophosphate doped with europium (see S. 2547), [7MY]
———tebufenozide (see S. 2429), [26AP]
———terbacil (see S. 3035), [9MY]
———tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with a certain percentage of water or methanol (see S. 2517), [7MY]
———tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate (see S. 2716), [7MY]
———tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate (see S. 2988), [8MY]
———thiacloprid (see S. 2723), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam (see S. 2594), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam, difenoconazole, fludioxonil, and mefenoxam formulations (see S. 2628), [7MY]
———thidiazuron (see S. 2725), [7MY]
———thionyl chloride (see S. 2710), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl (see S. 2787), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2776), [7MY]
———thiourea dioxide (see S. 2441), [26AP]
———3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine (see S. 2759), [7MY]
———3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate in organic solvent reaction product (see S. 2770, 2778), [7MY]
———3,3',4,4'-biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride (see S. 2755), [7MY]
———3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-) (see S. 2830), [7MY]
———(3-acetoxy-3-cyanpropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester (see S. 2355), [25AP]
———3-amino-4-methylbenzamide (see S. 2823), [7MY]
———3-amino-1,2-propanediol (see S. 2886), [8MY]
———3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one (methylionine) (see S. 2500), [26AP]
———3-methylylbenzyl chloride (see S. 2974), [8MY]
———3-phthalimidopropionaldehyde (see S. 2351), [25AP]
———3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol (see S. 2490), [26AP] (see S. 2873), [8MY]
———thymol (see S. 2996), [8MY]
———Tinopal (see S. 2888), [8MY]
———titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3075), [9MY]
———titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3070), [9MY]
———tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
———tralopyril (see S. 2920), [8MY]
———triacetonamine (see S. 2854), [8MY]
———triadimefon (see S. 3016), [8MY]
———triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
———triethylenediamine (see S. 2729), [7MY]
———triflic acid (see S. 2527), [7MY]
———triflic anhydride (see S. 2526), [7MY]
———trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]
———Trilon MGDA (see S. 2887), [8MY]
———trimethylcyclohexanol (see S. 2984), [8MY]
———trinexapac-ethyl (see S. 3138), [10MY]
———tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate mixtures (see S. 2762), [7MY]
———tungsten carbide (see S. 2670), [7MY]
———tungsten oxide (see S. 2668), [7MY]
———12-hydroxystearic acid (see S. 2442), [26AP]
———2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol (see S. 2867), [8MY]
———2,5-dimethyl-2, 5 hexanediol (dimethylhexanediol) (see S. 2685), [7MY]
———2,4-dichloroaniline (see S. 3137), [10MY]
———2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenydiyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3109), [10MY]
———2,3-dichloronitrobenzene (see S. 2664), [7MY]
———[2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt (see S. 3100), [10MY]
———2,2'-methylenebis (4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol) (see S. 2864), [8MY]
———2,2'-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol) (see S. 2861), [8MY]
———2-acetylbutyrolactone (see S. 2703), [7MY]
———2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2839), [8MY]
———2-aminopyridine (see S. 2622), [7MY]
———2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1—2) (see S. 3113), [10MY]
———2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA) (see S. 2790), [7MY]
———2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldehyde (see S. 2676), [7MY]
———2-chlorobenzyl chloride (see S. 3018), [8MY]
———2-chlorotoluene (see S. 2713), [7MY]
———2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl acetonitrile (see S. 2487), [26AP]
———2-ethylhexyl salicylate (see S. 2903), [8MY]
———2-ethylhexylamine (see S. 2761), [7MY]
———2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2840), [8MY]
———2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3116), [10MY]
———2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro- 2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester (see S. 2494), [26AP]
———2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethyl-cyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked (see S. 2783), [7MY]
———2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid (see S. 2904), [8MY]
———2-propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene (see S. 2654), [7MY]
———2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione (see S. 2538), [7MY]
———2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole (see S. 2919), [8MY]
———vat blue 66 (see S. 3117), [10MY]
———vat violet 10 (see S. 2764), [7MY]
———vinyldine fluoride-trifluoroethylene copolymer (see S. 3006), [8MY]
———vinylidene chloride-methyl methacrylate-acrylonitrile copolymer (see S. 3003), [8MY]
———water-dispersible polyisocyanate products in nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-demethyl-, 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanathohexane homopolymer (see S. 2781), [7MY]
———xylidine mixtures (see S. 2745), [7MY]
———yttrium oxide and europium oxide mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2749), [7MY] (see S. 2945), [8MY]
———yttrium oxide phosphor, activated by europium (see S. 2552), [7MY]
———yttrium oxides (see S. 2746, 2813), [7MY]
———yttrium phosphate and cerium phosphate mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2944), [8MY]
———zinc dicyanato diamine with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2496), [26AP]
———zinc dimethyldithiocarbamate (see S. 2785), [7MY]
Taxation: provide a credit for production of renewable chemicals (see S. 3491), [2AU]

Reports filed
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]

CHESAPEAKE BAY INITIATIVE ACT
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]

CHESTERFIELD, MO
Reports filed
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3247), [25AP]

CHICAGO, IL
Bills and resolutions
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Reports filed
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]

CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]

CHILD PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]

CHILDREN AND YOUTH *related term(s)* **COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; EDUCATION; FAMILIES AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS; SCHOOLS; TOYS**
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Afterschool Alliance (organization): support goals and ideals of Lights on Afterschool! event (see S. Res. 587), [21SE]
Anchorage, AK: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
Armed Forces: provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Children's Grief Awareness Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 590), [13NO]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
———enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
———support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
———establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
———establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
Foreign countries: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
International relations: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]

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National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Postage and stamps: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Public welfare programs: prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
SBA: strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Tariff: baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles (see S. 2651), [7MY]
———clarify duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material (see S. 2545), [7MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2876), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece (see S. 2875), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2877), [8MY]
———diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester (see S. 2878), [8MY]
———infant products (see S. 2559), [7MY]
———plastic children's wallets (see S. 2956), [8MY]
Taxation: make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
———provide a credit for early childhood education professional school personnel, expand deduction for expenses to early childhood education teachers, and modify credit for dependent care services (see S. 2180), [8MR]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]
Reports filed
Access to Information About Missing Children Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 225), [2AU]
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
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Foreign trade: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
Gao Zhisheng: call to facilitate access by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
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Syria: condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Taxation: require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
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Dept. of the Interior: conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA (see S. 3247), [24MY]
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Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
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Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Taxation: provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
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———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Dept. of Justice: improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Employment: permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
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Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
———protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [12JN]
———require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Religion: require reasonable accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]

Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
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Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
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———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
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Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
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Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
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Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
Armed Forces: strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Agriculture: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and process all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Employment: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
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National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Senior citizens: provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [19SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
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African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]

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Maryland Campaign: anniversary (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]
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Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

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Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
———improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
———require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and proc-

ess all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Insurance: require issuers of long-term care insurance to establish third party review processes for disputed claims (see S. 3230), [23MY]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: require judges to reside within a certain distance of the District of Columbia (see S. 2045), [31JA]
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Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
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Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
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Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
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FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
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Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]

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EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
———partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
———prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
Government regulations: clarify a certain provision relative to prevention of accidental releases (see S. 3529), [11SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
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Bills and resolutions relative to
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC (S. 3304), [10JY]

CLOSING THE DERIVATIVES BLENDED RATE LOOPHOLE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2033), [23JA]

CLOTHING INDUSTRY
Bills and resolutions
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Federal agencies and departments: require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Tariff: boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers (see S. 3059), [9MY]
———clarify classification of recreational performance outerwear (see S. 3073), [9MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers (see S. 3064), [9MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers (see S. 3060), [9MY]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Innovation Design Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]

CÔTE D'IVOIRE, REPUBLIC OF
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire: President Obama, [6FE]

COAL *related term(s)* **POWER RESOURCES**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Power resources: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Motions
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]

COAST GUARD *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Ships and vessels: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Reports filed
Coast Guard Appropriations: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1665) (S. Rept. 112–135), [26JA]

Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]

COASTAL ZONES
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
EPA: provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
Hurricanes: provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]

COATS, DANIEL *(a Senator from Indiana)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [31JY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [9JY]
Colleges and universities: preserve State and institutional authority relative to State authorization and the definition of credit hour (see S. 1297), [7MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Contracts: preserve open competition and neutrality towards the labor relations of Federal contractors on Federal and federally funded construction projects (see S. 119), [10JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [25JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [19AP]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [31JA]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [20MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [13JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6JN]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP] (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [29FE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [17MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [27NO]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [12SE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Defense: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]
Dept. of Energy: establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]

COBURN, TOM *(a Senator from Oklahoma)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]

———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [26MR]
———require parental notification and intervention for minors seeking an abortion (see S. 1005), [24MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [12JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [14MY]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [29JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [11DE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
———increase penalties for stealing, transporting, and storing stolen prescription drugs (see S. 1002), [7MR]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [27MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [16JY]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [18JN]
———reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration (see S. 3084), [12JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
English language: reaffirm as official language of U.S., establish uniform English language rule for naturalization, and avoid misconstructions of English language texts of U.S. laws (see S. 503), [10MY]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: modify provisions relative to exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers (see S. 1747), [24JA]
———preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
FDA: promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 1700), [22MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 1133), [26AP]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
———require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [21MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP] (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [28NO]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
Navy Dental Corps: anniversary (see S. Res. 544), [2AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [22MY]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [19JN]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [24JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [14MR]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [28FE]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [8MY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]

Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [29FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Bankruptcy: require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

COCHRAN, THAD ***(a Senator from Mississippi)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [12JY]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [12JY] (see S.J. Res. 43), [11JY]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [8MY]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [2FE]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [12JY]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [1AU]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [13NO]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [25JY]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gulf of Mexico: authorize use of certain offshore oil and gas platforms for artificial reefs (see S. 1555), [19JY]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [15NO]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [1AU]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: ensure transparency and proper operation of pharmacy benefit managers (see S. 1058), [7FE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [7MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [24MY]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [28JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [19MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [21JN]
Medicare: expand access to medication therapy management services (see S. 274), [16AP]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [15NO]
———study issues on access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for beneficiaries in all care settings and establish demonstration project on benefits of coverage to administer IVIG in the home (see S. 960), [11JY]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [21JN]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Olympic Games: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [11JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [1AU]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [6JN]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public welfare programs: prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [25JY]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [18JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [19JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [25JY]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]

———provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment (see S. 1174), [29MR]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Transportation Security Administration: allow transportation worker identification credentials (TWIC) applicants to remotely apply for issuance, renewal, or activation (see S. 1966), [13SE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [11SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [11JY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [7JN]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Medicare: permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]

COINS
Bills and resolutions
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING *related term(s)* **LABOR UNIONS**
Bills and resolutions
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Motions
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]

COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]

COLLEGE PARK, MD
Bills and resolutions
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES *related term(s)* **EDUCATION; SCHOOLS**
Bills and resolutions
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
Crime: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [24AP] (see S. 2366), [25AP] (see S. 2834), [7MY]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of HHS: increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
———reauthorize Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (see S. 3282), [11JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
———improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
———increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
———provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
———reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
———support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Federal aid programs: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
Financial institutions: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
Government regulations: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Hamilton College: anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Public Higher Education Day: designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]

Northwestern University: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]
SBA: strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Taxation: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [6JN]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Unemployment: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certificate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]
University of North Carolina at Pembroke: anniversary (see S. Res. 414), [29MR]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
Cloture motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]

COLLINS, SUSAN M. ***(a Senator from Maine)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Afterschool Alliance (organization): support goals and ideals of Lights on Afterschool! event (see S. Res. 587), [21SE]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [26NO]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JN]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Armed Forces: limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [16AP]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [5JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [16FE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Controlled Substances Act: place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 605), [29FE]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [7JN]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [16FE]
———promote environmental education (see S. 1372), [17JY]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [11DE]
Dept. of HHS: assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care (see S. 1878), [31JY]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [21SE]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———provide for the participation of physical therapists in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program (see S. 975), [23AP]
Dept. of Homeland Security: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [23AP]
Dept. of State: allow issuance of a certain number of E–3 visas per year to Irish nationals (see S. 2005), [1FE]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [12JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [10JY]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [12SE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———reduce disparities and improve access to diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer for underserved populations and men with a family history of prostate cancer (see S. 1190), [6MR]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [24JY]
———permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
Drugs: ban the sale of certain synthetic drugs (see S. 839), [8MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
Federal employees: make persons having seriously delinquent tax debts ineligible for Federal employment (see S. 376), [31JA]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [5JN]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [15MY]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [13NO]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [13NO]
GAO: repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Government regulations: require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [11JY]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [8MY]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [16AP]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [19SE]

———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [2AU]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [25AP]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [13NO]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
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Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [14MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
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Medicare: authorize certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services (see S. 1468), [21DE]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [10MY]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [25JN]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [26MR]
———study issues on access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for beneficiaries in all care settings and establish demonstration project on benefits of coverage to administer IVIG in the home (see S. 960), [26MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
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Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [8MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [5DE]
Public Interest Declassification Act: extend (see S. 3564), [19SE]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [12SE]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [6FE]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [31JY]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [16FE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [8MR]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [14JN]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [23JY]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [10SE]
———allow tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable contributions (see S. 557), [12JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [26AP]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [10MY]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [12JN]
———expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector (see S. 974), [9MY]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [24JA]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [19SE]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13NO]
———modify depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems (see S. 1575), [26JA]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [23AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [12JN]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [23JY]
———repeal sunset of adoption credit expansion and adoption assistance programs and allow credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final (see S. 82), [15FE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [10SE]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [5JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [24MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [30JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [11JN]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
SBA: expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Tariff: alginic acid, ammonium alginate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate (see S. 2833), [7MY]
———propylene glycol alginates (see S. 2837), [7MY]
———sodium alginate (see S. 2836), [7MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon (see S. 2838), [7MY]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
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Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official po-

sitions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
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Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
Year of Water: recognize proclamation (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
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Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]
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National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
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Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces (S. 2224), [26AP]

Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Promote Peace and Stability in Sudan (S. Res. 397), [28MR]
Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review Act (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists (S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad (S. Res. 401), [26AP]
Tribute to Laura Pollán (S. Res. 342), [14FE]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
Water for the World Act (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS (SENATE)

Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity (S. 1440), [19SE]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
FDA Safety and Innovation Act (S. 2516), [7MY]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act (S. 3566), [19SE]
Taking Essential Steps for Testing (TEST) Act (S. 3391), [19SE]

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS (SENATE)

Bills and resolutions
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: authorize release of records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]

Reports filed
Activities During the 111th Congress (S. Rept. 112–193), [31JY]
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX (H.R. 298), [25AP]
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station, Bisbee, AZ (H.R. 2668), [7MY]
Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY (H.R. 2244), [25AP]
D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security Improved Financial Accountability Act (S. 1998) (S. Rept. 112–230), [13NO]
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Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act (S. 792), [31JY]
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District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act (S. 2234), [19DE]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
GAO Improvement Act (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
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Interagency Personnel Rotation Act (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY (H.R. 2079), [25AP]
Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act (S. 1100), [19DE]
Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO (H.R. 3248), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO (H.R. 3247), [25AP]
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN (H.R. 3220), [16MY]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act (S. 241), [19DE]
Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building, Yountville, CA (H.R. 3004), [25AP]
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY (H.R. 3413), [16MY]
Public Service Recognition Week (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office, Iuka, MS (H.R. 2213), [25AP]
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK (H.R. 1423), [25AP]
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO (H.R. 3246), [25AP]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act (S. 2038), [26JA]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
Tomball Veterans Post Office, Tomball, TX (H.R. 2660), [25AP]
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA (H.R. 2415), [16MY]
21st Century Postal Service Act (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
21st Century Postal Service Act (S. 1789), [26JA]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act (S. 2239), [29JN]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA (H.R. 2767), [25AP]

COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES (JOINT)

Appointments
Members, [5MR]

Bills and resolutions
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS (SENATE)

Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented (S. 2389), [13SE]
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented (S. 2389) (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Determine Blood Quantum Requirement for Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe (H.R. 1560), [31JY]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act (S. 379) (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]
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Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act (H.R. 1272), [1AU]
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization (S. 3546), [11DE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial (S. 3548), [11DE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments (S. 2024), [11DE]

COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE (SENATE, SELECT)

Reports filed
FAA Sunsets Extension Act (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
Intelligence Services Appropriations (S. 3454) (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]

COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2012, TERRORIST ATTACKS IN BENGHAZI, LIBYA (SENATE, SELECT)

Bills and resolutions
Establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY (SENATE)

Reports filed
Access to Information About Missing Children Act (S. 225), [2AU]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act (S. 2554), [17MY]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Child Protection Improvements Act (S. 645), [19SE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Data Breach Notification Act (S. 1408), [6FE]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization (S. 250), [21JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension Act (S. 2159), [29MR]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act (S. 3276), [19JY]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act (S. 1744), [12JY]
Innovation Design Protection Act (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]
Location Privacy Protection Act (S. 1223), [17DE]
Officer Safety Act (S. 2276), [23MY]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act (S. 3486), [20SE]

Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings (S. 1945), [13FE]
Relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke (S. 285), [19JY]
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act (S. 2370), [24MY]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]
Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization (S. 1925), [7FE]
Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization (S. 1925) (S. Rept. 112–153), [12MR]

COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY (JOINT)
Bills and resolutions
Douglass, Frederick: accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS (SENATE)
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Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act (S. 3313), [13DE]

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Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint), [5MR]
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]

COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE
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Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint), [5MR]
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Committee on Armed Services (Senate): authorize release of records in the case of posthumous advancement of John D. Lavelle to rank of general on the retired list of the Air Force (see S. Res. 629), [31DE]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Reports filed
Activities During the 111th Congress: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–193), [31JY]
Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–156), [19AP]
———Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–160), [25AP]
———Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–175), [12JN]
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Bills and resolutions
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]

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Bills and resolutions
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Government regulations: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]

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Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]

COMMON CAUSE (ORGANIZATION)
Bills and resolutions
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]

COMMON GROUND ALLIANCE
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National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]

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COMMUNISM
Bills and resolutions
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT *related term(s)* **URBAN AREAS**
Bills and resolutions
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of HUD: provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Taxation: expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
Reports filed
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]

COMMUNITY PARKS REVITALIZATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3583), [20SE]

COMMUNITY SERVICE *related term(s)* **VOLUNTEER WORKERS**
Bills and resolutions
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Reports filed
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]

COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2256), [29MR]

COMPREHENSIVE DENTAL REFORM ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3272), [7JN]

COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT (CERCLA)
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability

of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
EPA: provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]

COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT LOAN PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3266), [6JN]

COMPUTERS *related term(s)* **ELECTRONICS; TECHNOLOGY; TELECOMMUNICATIONS**
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Information technology: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
———prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
———require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
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Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
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FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
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CONFERENCES
Bills and resolutions
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]

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Bills and resolutions
FDA: reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
FRS: restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]

CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]

CONGRESS *related term(s)* **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF THE GOVERNMENT; MEMBERS OF CONGRESS; SENATE**
Appointments
Congressional Award Board, [21MY]
Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
Bills and resolutions
Adjournment (see S. Con. Res. 38), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 43), [26AP] (see S. Con. Res. 51), [29JN] (see S. Con. Res. 56, 59), [2AU] (see S. Con. Res. 60), [15NO]
Appropriations: establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [26AP]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Constitution—U.S.: end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report

detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Federal agencies and departments: report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Frumin, Alan S.: tribute (see S. Res. 359), [31JA]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
House of Representatives: repeal authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House (see S. 3528), [11SE]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Leahy, Senator: election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
———notify the House of Representatives of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
———notify the President of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Legislation: preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
———require each bill enacted be limited to only one subject (see S. 3359), [28JN]
Members of Congress: eliminate automatic salary adjustments (see S. 2210), [20MR]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Pipelines: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Political ethics: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
SBA: submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
Senate: authorize the taking of an official photograph in the Senate Chamber (see S. Res. 381), [28FE] (see S. Res. 405), [22MR]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]
———authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
———authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Syria: require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Cloture motions
Political ethics: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Messages
Budget of the U.S. Government for Fiscal Year 2013: President Obama, [13FE]
Motions
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Political ethics: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
Reports filed
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
Legislative Branch of the Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5882) (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
Transcripts
National Prayer Breakfast, [21MR]

CONGRESSIONAL AWARD BOARD
Appointments
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CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT
Bills and resolutions
Public debt: establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET AND IMPOUNDMENT CONTROL ACT
Bills and resolutions
Appropriations: establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
Reports filed
Legislative Branch of the Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5882) (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]

CONGRESSIONAL CAUCUSES *see* **CONGRESS**

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CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS *see* **CONGRESS**

CONGRESSIONAL HEALTH CARE FOR SENIORS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2196), [15MR]

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Reports filed
Legislative Branch of the Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5882) (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]

CONNECTICUT
Bills and resolutions
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Rivers: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Reports filed
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]

CONRAD, KENT ***(a Senator from North Dakota)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY]
———make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [29JN]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [29MR]

Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [7FE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19SE]
Dept. of the Interior: modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
EPA: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [24AP]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [19JY]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19JY]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [9FE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [20SE]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [13FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: ensure transparency and proper operation of pharmacy benefit managers (see S. 1058), [10MY]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [18JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [12JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare/Medicaid: curb waste, fraud, and abuse (see S. 1251), [28FE]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [20SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [13SE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students (see S. 506), [10MY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organizations (see S. 1908), [29NO]
———close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [13SE]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [16JY]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [23MY]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [20SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [16AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [9FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Medicare: improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
Mental health: strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (see S. 2367), [25AP]
———strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (S. 2367), corrections in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 63), [18DE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Tariff: cyprodinil (see S. 2908), [8MY]
———difenoconazole (see S. 2907), [8MY]
———paraquat and emetic mixtures (see S. 2905), [8MY]
———propiconazole (see S. 2906), [8MY]
Taxation: modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY *related term(s)* **RENEWABLE ENERGY**
Bills and resolutions
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
———establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
———prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
———improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
Taxation: expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]

———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
Cloture motions
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Motions
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Reports filed
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]

CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES *related term(s)* **ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT; NATURAL RESOURCES; RENEWABLE ENERGY**
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Dept. of the Interior: establish a Veterans Conservation Corps (see S. 2130), [17FE]
———grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorizartion: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
Pacific Salmon Stronghold Conservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
Bills and resolutions
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]

CONSTITUTION—U.S.
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Congress: end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
———preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
Patriotism: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES
Bills and resolutions
Corps of Engineers: preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Crime: prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
Federal agencies and departments: report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]

Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Tariff: reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels (see S. 2946), [8MY]
Taxation: expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
———protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans (see S. 3700), [20DE]

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY ACT
Bills and resolutions
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Hazardous substances: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

CONSUMERS *related term(s)* **CREDIT; PRODUCT SAFETY; TOYS**
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Debt collection: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (see S. 3637), [26NO]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Gift cards: increase consumer protections (see S. 3636), [26NO]
Government: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
———protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
Power resources: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Senior citizens: protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Taxation: prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Telephones: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills (see S. 3291), [13JN]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Cloture motions
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———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Motions
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE], [13DE]
Reports filed
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410) (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]

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CONTRACEPTIVES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]

CONTRACTS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
———prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inef-

ficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Income: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
Medicare: repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
SBA: expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Small business: modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
———provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions (see S. 2048), [31JA]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [24MY]
War: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Reports filed
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Inquiry Into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Dept. of Defense Supply Chain: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–167), [21MY]
Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1100), [19DE]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
———more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
———place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
———prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Law enforcement: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]

COOK, JOHN J.
Reports filed
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2079), [25AP]

COONS, CHRISTOPHER A. ***(a Senator from Delaware)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [24JA], [30JA], [13FE], [14FE], [17FE], [28FE], [12MR], [13MR], [20MR], [16AP], [17AP], [8MY], [11JN], [12JN], [25JN], [26JN], [29JN], [16JY], [17JY], [31JY], [3AU], [17SE], [25SE], [16OC], [16NO], [27NO], [30NO], [3DE], [4DE], [17DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [25AP]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [27JN]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [12DE]
———provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [26NO]
Dept. of Education: make grants to support early college high schools and other dual enrollment programs (see S. 154), [16AP]
———promote environmental education (see S. 1372), [23JY]
———strengthen student achievement and graduation rates, and prepare young people for college, careers, and citizenship through innovative partnerships (see S. 426), [12SE]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
Dept. of Justice: assist State oversight of proceedings, conduct background checks, and improve monitoring relative to adult guardianships and conservatorships of protected persons (see S. 1744), [12JY]
———establish a permanent background check system for youth-serving organization volunteers (see S. 645), [11SE]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———protect crime victims' rights and reauthorize certain DNA-related grant programs (see S. 250), [14JN]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
———require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [22MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [14FE]
Diseases: improve diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (see S. 1167), [6JN]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [25AP]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [29JN]
———prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections (see S. 1994), [26JN]
EPA: prohibit certain exports of electronic waste (see S. 1270), [19MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [15MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17JY] (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: establish background check procedures for gun shows (see S. 35), [21DE]
———prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [21DE]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [14FE]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]

Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [1AU]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Immigration: eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants and increase the per-country limitation for family-sponsored immigrants (see S. 1983), [31JA]
———enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [29JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26AP]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [16AP]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [5JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [19MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicaragua: support democratic aspirations and call attention to the deterioration of constitutional order (see S. Res. 344), [27MR]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [22MY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [16AP]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [22MY]
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program: improve (see S. 1696), [29NO]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [9MY]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [10SE]
Tariff: benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl) (see S. 2597), [7MY]
———black 661 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2606), [7MY]
———black 820 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2607), [7MY]
———buprofezin (see S. 2602), [7MY]
———cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink (see S. 2605), [7MY]
———cyan 854 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2604), [7MY]
———dichloroacetyl chloride (see S. 2598), [7MY]
———fenpyroximate (see S. 2599), [7MY]
———flutolanil (see S. 2601), [7MY]
———phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2595), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2600), [7MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 2592), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam (see S. 2594), [7MY]
———tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
———triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
———trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]
———ultraviolet lamps filled with deuterium gas (see S. 2591), [7MY]
Taxation: allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund (see S. 1806), [25JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [19SE]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [19SE]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [11SE]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [9MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———treat automatic fire sprinkler systems under certain deduction guidelines and as 15-year property for purposes of depreciation (see S. 1035), [24JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [24JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [6JN]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [16AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [2MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
Dept. of Justice: provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Tariff: benzyl carbazate (see S. 2615), [7MY]
———difenoconazole and mefenoxam mixtures (see S. 2618), [7MY]
———esfenvalerate technical (see S. 2610), [7MY]
———ethyl 2-(isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate (see S. 2614), [7MY]
———famoxadone, cymoxanil, and application adjuvants (see S. 2609), [7MY]
———flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY]
———methyl 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate (see S. 2608), [7MY]
———methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5- triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2612), [7MY]
———1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile (see S. 2619), [7MY]
———phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate (see S. 2611), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2616), [7MY]
———pyrithiobac-sodium (see S. 2613), [7MY]
———2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2839), [8MY]
———2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2840), [8MY]
Taxation: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]

FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]

COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]

COOPERSTOWN, NY
Bills and resolutions
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]

COPYRIGHTS *related term(s)* **PATENTS**
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Taxation: make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
Telecommunications: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Reports filed
Innovation Design Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]

CORAL REEF CONSERVATION ACT
Reports filed
Reauthorize: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]

CORKER, BOB ***(a Senator from Tennessee)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: phase out sugar price support program and marketing allotments (see S. 25), [22MR]
———repeal sugar price support program (see S. 685), [19MR]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests (see S. 102), [14JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Courts: prevent termination of temporary bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts (see S. 1821), [16AP]
Credit: provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [26NO]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Defense: modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [24AP]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [22MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [18JY]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [18JY]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [21SE]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [12SE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [15MY]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [19MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [7FE]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [12SE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [25AP]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [10MY]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [29MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [22MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Syria: require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [13MR]

CORNYN, JOHN ***(a Senator from Texas)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]

Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
———ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [14NO]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [3DE]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: assist State oversight of proceedings, conduct background checks, and improve monitoring relative to adult guardianships and conservatorships of protected persons (see S. 1744), [25JN]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
EPA: provide additional time to issue achievable standards for cement manufacturing facilities (see S. 1610), [1FE]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [13JN]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [9MY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [14NO]
———require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [29MR]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [10SE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [21MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [15MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [5JN]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [28DE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [14MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [13FE]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [8MY]
Taxation: exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [13FE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [28JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [13NO]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [18AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]

Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
Taxation: provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

CORPORATIONS *related term(s)* **BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY**
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Courts: provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Olympic Games: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Cloture motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]

CORPS OF ENGINEERS *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
Bills and resolutions
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
Fish and fishing: manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study: compel completion within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Public works: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Zoar, OH: preserve historical integrity while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]

CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
Foreign aid: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]

CORTES, ISAAC T.
Reports filed
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3413), [16MY]

COSMETICS
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: Frescolat MGA (see S. 2967), [8MY]
———Frescolat ML (see S. 2968), [8MY]
———helvetolide (see S. 2928), [8MY]
———hydrolite 5 (see S. 2998), [8MY]
———Hydrolite 6 (see S. 2969), [8MY]
———majantol (see S. 2997), [8MY]
———Neo Heliopan Hydro (see S. 2971), [8MY]

COST OF LIVING *see* **ECONOMY; INCOME**

COSTA RICA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

COURTS *related term(s)* **CRIME; LAW ENFORCEMENT; LAWYERS AND ATTORNEYS; SUPREME COURT**
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Armed Forces: improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]
Arts and humanities: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
———require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Business and industry: provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
———enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
———provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]

Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [10JY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Discrimination: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
District courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [19JY]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Freedom of speech: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
———reinstate reporting provision relative to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the U.S. (see S. 2042), [30JA]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Lawyers and attorneys: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Safety: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]
———authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
Taxation: provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
Terrorism: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: require judges to reside within a certain distance of the District of Columbia (see S. 2045), [31JA]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
———improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY] (see S. 3236), [24MY]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Alto Lee Adams, Sr., U.S. Courthouse, Fort Pierce, FL: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1791), [10JY]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1272), [1AU]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]
Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1945), [13FE]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2326), [27DE]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]

CRAPO, MIKE ***(a Senator from Idaho)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [14JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [10SE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [26JN]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [14JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify conditions under which veterans, their spouses, and children may be adjudicated mentally incompetent relative to their ability to purchase firearms (see S. 1707), [23JA]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about

Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [10JY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Forest Service: revise the Recreation Residence Program by implementing a procedure for determining cabin user fees (see S. 1906), [19MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [13FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [8MY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [10MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [23JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [7MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: curb waste, fraud, and abuse (see S. 1251), [23AP]
Mental health: strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (see S. 2367), [25AP]
Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 309), [17AP]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [8MY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: decrease incidence of violent crime against Indian women, strengthen capacity of tribes to respond to such crimes, and hold perpetrators accountable (see S. 1763), [17FE]
———deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [16AP]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Pharmaceuticals: clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers (see S. 1423), [13NO]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [26MR]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [7MR]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [14JN]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [15FE]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [24MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [9MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Dept. of the Interior: provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
National Men's Health Week: observance (see S. Res. 501), [20JN]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]

CREATING SMALL BUSINESS JOBS ACT

Bills and resolutions

Taxation: extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]

CREDIT *related term(s)* **CONSUMERS**

Bills and resolutions

Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
———provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
Consumers: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Dept. of HHS: provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve the Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program (see S. 3348), [27JN]
Education: provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
———establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]
Financial institutions: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———exempt community banks from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders,

and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Mortgages: establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 2909), [8MY]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
———extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
Taxation: exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Motions
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
CREDIT CARDS *see* **CREDIT**
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CRIME *related term(s)* **SEXUAL HARASSMENT; TERRORISM**
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]
———improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
———prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [28FE]
———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [15MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
———encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
———provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
———require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of Justice: clarify authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund (see S. 3704), [20DE]
———dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3294), [14JN] (see S. 3490), [2AU]
———establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Economic Espionage Act: clarify scope (see S. 3642), [27NO]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
———require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Flag—U.S.: protect (see S. 3296), [14JN]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Metal: prohibit and deter theft (see S. 3631), [15NO]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders

who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Pornography: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Terrorism: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]

Messages
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National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations: President Obama, [18JY]
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Motions
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (S. 1925), [17AP]

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Access to Information About Missing Children Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 225), [2AU]
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
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Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
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CRIMINAL ANTITRUST ANTI-RETALIATION ACT
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Enact (see S. 3462), [31JY]

CUBA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Human rights: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]

Reports filed
Tribute to Laura Pollán: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]

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Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]

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CUSHING, ALONZO H.
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Medal of Honor: award for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]

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CYPRUS, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
International relations: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]

CZECH REPUBLIC
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Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]

D.C. COURTS AND PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]

DALAI LAMA
Bills and resolutions
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]

Reports filed
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]

DAM SAFETY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3362), [29JN]

DAMS
Bills and resolutions
Corps of Engineers: manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
———preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
———reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]

Reports filed
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

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Senate Legal Counsel: authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]

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DEATH AND DYING
Bills and resolutions
Children's Grief Awareness Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 590), [13NO]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
———ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Taxation: exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
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DEEPWATER HORIZON SURVIVORS' FAIRNESS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
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DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Defense: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
SBA: expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
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Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
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Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]
White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]
DELAWARE RIVER BASIN CONSERVATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
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Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
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Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect lives of born and unborn persons (see S. 91), [28FE]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [23AP]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [9MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [18JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [18AP]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [7MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Public debt: establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senior citizens: provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]

———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [25JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [17FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [16MY]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Justice: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Taxation: terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
DEMOCRACY
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to the Former Liberian Regime of Charles Taylor: President Obama, [17JY]
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Reports filed
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act Import Restrictions Renewal Approval: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
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Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
DEMONSTRATIONS *see* **PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS**
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Bills and resolutions
Alaska: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE *related term(s)* **AGRICULTURE; FOREST SERVICE**
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY] (see S. 3395), [17JY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service: provide expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Animal Welfare Act: modify definition of ''exhibitor'' (see S. 3666), [6DE]
Anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Black Hills National Forest: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Canada: permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Civil rights: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and process all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]

Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Conservation of energy: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Emergency Food Assistance Program: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
EPA: partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
Farm Service Agency: clarify maximum distance between county offices for purposes of the closure or relocation of a county office (see S. 3258), [4JN]
Federal aid programs: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Food: repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
Miami-Dade County, FL: convey federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program: extend and improve (see S. 2126), [17FE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
Natural resources: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
Pike National Forest: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Research: biomass research and development funding, [14JN]
Rural areas: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
Rural Energy for America Program: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
Taxation: increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
Telecommunications: improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]

Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE *related term(s)* **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY**
Bills and resolutions
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Business and industry: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Census: provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign investments: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
———enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Marine mammals: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
Telecommunications: require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
NOAA Conveyance of Property to Pascagoula, MS: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 363) (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]
Pacific Salmon Stronghold Conservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE *related term(s)* **CORPS OF ENGINEERS; NATIONAL GUARD; NATIONAL SECURITY**

Appointments

Conferees: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]

———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]

Bills and resolutions

Afghanistan: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]

Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]

Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]

Air Force Weather: anniversary (see S. Res. 545), [2AU]

American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [19AP]

Animals: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]

Appropriations: authorizing for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (see S. 2467), [26AP] (see S. 3254), [4JN]

———provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]

Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]

Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]

———award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]

———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]

———enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]

———ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]

———ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]

———improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]

———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]

———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]

———leave no member unaccounted for in the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan (see S. Res. 593), [14NO]

———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]

———prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [28FE]

———provide behavioral health readiness services to members of Reserve components based on need (see S. 2466), [26AP]

———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [27FE]

———provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]

———require a report on implementation of a termination of the ground combat exclusion policy for female members (see S. 3182), [15MY]

———require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]

———require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]

———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]

———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [15MY]

Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]

———provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]

———require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]

Aviation: require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment (see S. 3554), [19SE]

Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]

Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]

Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]

Census: provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]

Civil liberties: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]

Committee on Armed Services (Senate): authorize release of records in the case of posthumous advancement of John D. Lavelle to rank of general on the retired list of the Air Force (see S. Res. 629), [31DE]

Congress: reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]

Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]

Corps of Engineers: manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]

Courts: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]

Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]

Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]

Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]

Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]

Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]

Dept. of Labor: provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]

Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]

Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]

———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]

———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]

———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]

Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]

Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]

———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]

Diseases: urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN]

Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]

Egypt: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]

Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]

Employment: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]

Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]

Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]

Federal agencies and departments: report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]

———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]

Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]

Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]

Forest Service: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]

Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]

Gold Star Wives Day: designate (see S. Res. 420), [17AP]

Health: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]

Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]

History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]

Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Intelligence services: specifically authorize certain funds for intelligence or intelligence-related activity (see S. 3314), [19JN]
Iron and steel industry: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
———increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
Navy Dental Corps: anniversary (see S. Res. 534), [31JY] (see S. Res. 544), [2AU]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program: modify award of administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [16FE]
———provide benefits for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
SBA: expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
Transition Assistance Advisor Program: authorize (see S. 3354), [28JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY] (see S. 3236), [24MY]
———require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3353), [28JN]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
———recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]

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———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]

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Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Dept. of Defense Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5856) (S. Rept. 112–196), [2AU]
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End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Inquiry Into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Dept. of Defense Supply Chain: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–167), [21MY]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Bills and resolutions

Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Children and youth: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
Colleges and universities: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
———protect students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of Justice: strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
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Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
———improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
———increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Employment: establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
Federal Direct Loan Program: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [24AP] (see S. 2366), [25AP] (see S. 2834), [7MY]

———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
Health: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
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Federal Direct Loan Program: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]
Reports filed
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Electric power: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Government regulations: prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
Nonprofit organizations: establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Office of Federal Energy Production: establish (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
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Reports filed
Dept. of Defense Appropriations for Military Activities, Prescribing Personnel Strengths, and Military Construction: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. 3254) (S. Rept. 112–173), [4JN]
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Bills and resolutions
Cardiomyopathy: provide education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
Child Care and Development Block Grant Program: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care (see S. 3436), [25JY]
Children and youth: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Congenital diaphragmatic hernia: provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge (see S. 3396), [18JY]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
Dept. of Education: make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Diseases: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Drugs: promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
Education: increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
Fetal alcohol syndrome: reauthorize and extend prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Holocaust survivors: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Insurance: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
Laboratories: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
Medicare: establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
National Health Service Corps: provide for the participation of optometrists in the scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
National Pediatric Research Network: establish (see S. 3461), [31JY]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant

to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Older Americans Act: define care coordination, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
Religion: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Taxation: extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
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Reports filed
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Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389), [13SE]
———Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389) (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Taking Essential Steps for Testing (TEST) Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3391), [19SE]

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Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
Business and industry: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Foreign countries: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
Health: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Immigration: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
———provide certain benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
South Carolina State Ports Authority: provide for a land exchange (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
———modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
———transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [27NO]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
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Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security Improved Financial Accountability Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1998) (S. Rept. 112–230), [13NO]
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Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
Prevention of Importation of Merchandise Into the U.S. in a Manner That Evades Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3524) (S. Rept. 112–209), [10SE]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]

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Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1998) (S. Rept. 112–230), [13NO]

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
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FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
Housing: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
Public housing: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Urban areas: provide Federal grants for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]
———establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE *related term(s)* **BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES**
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]

Armed Forces: improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
Bankruptcy: require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership: extend authorization (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Bureau of Prisons: require Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
Children and youth: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Classified information: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program: strengthen the Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Courts: improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
Crime Victims Fund: clarify authorized uses of funds (see S. 3704), [20DE]
———dedicate funds to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3294), [14JN] (see S. 3490), [2AU]
Disabled: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
———revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]
Drugs: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
Education: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
Languages: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (S. 1329) (see S. 3365), [10JY]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
———provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Sexual assaults: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR *related term(s)* **BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS**
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: provide off-base transition training for members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Children and youth: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative: establish (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
———minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
———permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
———require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]
———require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Government regulations: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
Veterans: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
Youth Corps: establish programs and provide for wider dissemination of the model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE *related term(s)* **DIPLOMATS; FOREIGN SERVICE**
Bills and resolutions
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
Embassies: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Federal agencies and departments: promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Foreign aid: require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
———suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Foreign trade: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of

children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
International law: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Nigeria: require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Terrorism: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
Pirate Fishing Elimination Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 401), [26AP]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE REWARDS PROGRAM UPDATE AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR *related term(s)* **BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS; BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT; BUREAU OF RECLAMATION; U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Atlanta, GA: conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church (see S. 3247), [24MY]
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Carbon County, UT: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project (see S. 2056), [1FE]
Currituck National Wildlife Refuge: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses (see S. 3448), [26JY]
Dept. of Energy: establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project: modify Pilot Project offices (see S. 3563), [19SE]
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
Montana: authorize conveyance of mineral rights to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
———clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
———extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
———provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
———provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
North Carolina: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery (see S. 3687), [17DE]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Outer Continental Shelf: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———replace President Obama's proposed oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Postage and stamps: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
San Juan County, NM: convey certain Federal land (see S. 3357), [28JN]

Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Veterans Conservation Corps: establish (see S. 2130), [17FE]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Water: settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
World War II: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
Reports filed
Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 322) (S. Rept. 112–108), [23JA]
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]
South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]
White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]
Wildlife Disease Emergency Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY *related term(s)*
SECRET SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2154), [5MR]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Coins: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
Delphi Corp.: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Education: reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Government regulations: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
U.S. Employee Ownership Bank: establish (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]

Messages
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Statutory Debt Limit: President Obama, [23JA]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
Reports filed
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION *related term(s)* **MARITIME ADMINISTRATION**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
Taxation: extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Veterans: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS *related term(s)* **VETERANS**
Bills and resolutions
Animals: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]
Armed Forces: strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Benefits: improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Cemeteries and funerals: ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
Contracts: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]
Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Disabled: provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
Education: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Employment: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [24JY] (see S. 3457), [30JY]
———improve provision of work-study allowances for individuals pursuing rehabilitation, education, or training programs (see S. 3503), [2AU]
Homeless: expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program: improve (see S. 3348), [27JN]
National cemeteries: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Veterans Support Network: establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]
Nonprofit organizations: award grants for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
Oahu, HI: carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain (see S. 3336), [21JN]
Pensions: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program: provide additional assistance to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
Small business: treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: require judges to reside within a certain distance of the District of Columbia (see S. 2045), [31JA]
Veterans: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]
———establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
———exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
———improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY] (see S. 3236), [24MY]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
———require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education: reauthorize (see S. 3282), [11JN]
Veterans Health Administration: reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks (see S. 3084), [10MY]
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobli-

gated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Employment: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Employment: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3429), [31JY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

DESIGNER ANABOLIC STEROID CONTROL ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3431), [25JY]

DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
Bills and resolutions
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Air pollution: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
Messages
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Designation for South Sudan: President Obama, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Argentina: President Obama, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands: President Obama, [29JN]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for St. Kitts and Nevis: President Obama, [20DE]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

DEVIL'S STAIRCASE WILDERNESS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]

DIA DE LOS NIÑOS—CELEBRATING YOUNG AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]

DIGNIFIED BURIAL OF VETERANS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3202), [17MY]

DIPLOMATS *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF STATE; EMBASSIES**
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 401), [26AP]

DISABILITY PENSION FAIRNESS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3447), [26JY]

DISABLED *related term(s)* **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT; SOCIAL SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Animals: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]
Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Dept. of HHS: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Dept. of Justice: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
———revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
Federal employees: reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
———improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Medicare: modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Social Security: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]
SSA: perform process for closure of field offices (see S. 3489), [2AU]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Messages
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
Motions
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]

Reports filed
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

DISASTER ASSISTANCE RECOUPMENT FAIRNESS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]

DISASTER RELIEF AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
———include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [29MR]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
———modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]

DISASTER RELIEF APPROPRIATIONS ACT
Cloture motions
Enact (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Enact (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]

DISASTERS *related term(s)* **EARTHQUAKES; FLOODS; HUNGER; HURRICANES; TORNADOES**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY] (see S. 3395), [17JY]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Corps of Engineers: preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Ecology and environment: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
———extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
———require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
———waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Government regulations: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
Native Americans: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [29MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Taxation: exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Weather: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
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National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]
R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]

DISCRIMINATION
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and process all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]
Medicare: provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]

Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Messages
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
Motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]

DISEASES *related term(s)* **CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION; HEALTH**
Bills and resolutions
Alzheimer's disease: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Asthma: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
Breast cancer: raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Dept. of HHS: define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Diabetes: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
Drugs: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Medicare: improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
———provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Celiac Disease Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Prostate cancer: urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
Research: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Taxation: extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Reports filed
Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia—Comparison of International Approaches: Committee on Aging (Senate, Special) (S. Rept. 112–254), [19DE]
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Wildlife Disease Emergency Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Eliot Ness ATF Building: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Local government: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the

Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: require judges to reside within a certain distance of the District of Columbia (see S. 2045), [31JA]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
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District of Columbia Proposed Budget and Financial Plan: President Obama, [17DE]
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]
District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Memorial Establishment on Federal Land in the District of Columbia To Honor Free African Americans and Slaves Who Fought During the American Revolution: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 883) (S. Rept. 112–118), [23JA]
Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation District of Columbia Commemorative Work Authorization: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1421) (S. Rept. 112–127), [23JA]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOME RULE ACT
Bills and resolutions
District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
Reports filed
District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SPECIAL ELECTION REFORM ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]

DITCH AND IRRIGATION COMPANY TAX REFORM ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3650), [29NO]

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DNA ANALYSIS BACKLOG ELIMINATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]

DOCTORS *see* **HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

DODD-FRANK WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT *see* **WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT**

DOMESTIC ENERGY AND JOBS ACT
Bills and resolutions
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DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS AND OBLIGATIONS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]

DOMESTIC POLICY *related term(s)* **ECONOMY**
Bills and resolutions
Budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
Dept. of Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Messages
Budget of the U.S. Government for Fiscal Year 2013: President Obama, [13FE]
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
National Drug Control Strategy: President Obama, [19AP]
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
Joint Economic Report: Committee on Economics (Joint) (S. Rept. 112–253), [18DE]

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE *see* **FAMILIES AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS**

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
Bills and resolutions
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

DORCHESTER COUNTY, MD
Reports filed
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

DOUGLASS, FREDERICK
Bills and resolutions
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]

DOWN PAYMENT TO PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2065), [2FE]

DOWNTOWN ATHLETIC CLUB OF NEW YORK CITY, INC.
Bills and resolutions
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]

DOYON TOURISM, INC.
Reports filed
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]

DR. SEUSS *see* **GEISEL, THEODORE**

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DRUG ABUSE *see* **DRUGS**

DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**
Bills and resolutions
Drugs: more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

DRUGS *related term(s)* **CRIME; PHARMACEUTICALS**
Bills and resolutions
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
———make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug (see S. 2297), [18AP]
———place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
———prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription

information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
———ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (see S. 2516), [7MY] (see S. 3187), [15MY]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
———more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Medicare: permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Tariff: canagliflozin (see S. 2921), [8MY]
———cyanamide (see S. 2349), [25AP]
———diethylaminoethyl-dextran (see S. 2350), [25AP]
———o-acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) (see S. 2758), [7MY] (see S. 2948), [8MY]
———3-phthalimidopropionaldehyde (see S. 2351), [25AP]
Taxation: include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
Cloture motions
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
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National Drug Control Strategy: President Obama, [19AP]
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FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [24MY], [21JN]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
FDA Safety and Innovation Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 2516), [7MY]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]

DRUNKEN DRIVING
Reports filed
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]

DUCKS UNLIMITED, INC.
Bills and resolutions
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DUKE UNIVERSITY
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Nobel Prize: recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]

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Acting President pro tempore, [1FE]
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [10JY]
Agriculture: promote local and regional farm and food systems (see S. 1773), [26AP]
Animals: prohibit conducting of invasive research on great apes (see S. 810), [20SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [29MR]
———enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [22MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [10JY] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Children and youth: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [25JY]
———require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [2AU]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [19AP]
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [18AP]
Dept. of Commerce: develop a comprehensive national manufacturing strategy (see S. 751), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———preserve documentary evidence of incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment in the military (see S. 658), [16AP]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [27MR] (see S. 2343), [25AP]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13NO]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [13NO]
Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
———require a quadrennial energy review to assess current domestic capabilities and future energy needs (see S. 1703), [8MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [13SE]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [8MY]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [26JN]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [14MR]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Diseases: establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner (see S. 752), [25JY]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]

District of Columbia: statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [10JY]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Egypt: recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [21JN]
———improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [27FE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [9MY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [25AP]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [17MY]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [29JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [23MY]
———encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout U.S. to disseminate information when an officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty (see S. 657), [19JY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [28JN]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [12JY]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [25JY]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Securities: amend laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration (see S. 1824), [22MR]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [18JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [9MY]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [25AP]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [28JN] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Veterans: require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [14JN]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [17DE]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [23JA]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [24MY]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve the Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program (see S. 3348), [27JN]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
FEMA: require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]

Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Northwestern University: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Taxation: provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]
Motions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [19SE]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

EARTHQUAKES *related term(s)* **DISASTERS**
Bills and resolutions
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Reports filed
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]

EAST ROCKAWAY, NY
Reports filed
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2079), [25AP]

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ
Bills and resolutions
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]

EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES
Bills and resolutions
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]

EASTHAM, MA
Bills and resolutions
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]

EASTON, PA
Bills and resolutions
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]

ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT *related term(s)* **CLEAN AIR ACT; HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES; RECYCLED MATERIALS; RECYCLING; RENEWABLE ENERGY; WATER**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of Defense: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
———establish a Veterans Conservation Corps (see S. 2130), [17FE]
———grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
———partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]

———prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
———provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
———standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
———certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Natural gas: promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
———extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
———extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
———prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
———repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]

Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorizartion: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Pacific Salmon Stronghold Conservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE *see* **FOREIGN AID**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Bills and resolutions

Economy: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]

ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE ACT

Bills and resolutions

Scope: clarify (see S. 3642), [27NO]

ECONOMIC GROWTH AND TAX RELIEF RECONCILIATION ACT

Bills and resolutions

Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]

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Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]

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Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]

ECONOMY *related term(s)* **CREDIT; DOMESTIC POLICY; HOMELESS; INCOME; POVERTY**

Appointments

Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]

Bills and resolutions

Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
Budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Business and industry: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Credit: establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Labor: require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
———streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign trade: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]
GAO: study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National objectives: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Real estate: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
———establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]

Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
Small business: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: extend solvency of the trust funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
———improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Voluntary economic activity: permit (see S. 2269), [29MR]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Messages
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), [27MR]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Joint Economic Report: Committee on Economics (Joint) (S. Rept. 112–253), [18DE]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

EDUCATION *related term(s)* **COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; SCHOOLS**
Bills and resolutions
Adult education: increase access to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
Armed Forces: require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Collector Car Appreciation Day: designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
———establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [24AP] (see S. 2366), [25AP] (see S. 2834), [7MY]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agen-

cies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Labor: minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
———provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———improve provision of work-study allowances for individuals pursuing rehabilitation, education, or training programs (see S. 3503), [2AU]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
———reauthorize Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (see S. 3282), [11JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Hamilton College: anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]
Health care professionals: reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
Immigration: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
———implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Medicare: improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Minorities: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Public Higher Education Day: designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
SBA: establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Schools: improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
States: support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Student loans: provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Tariff: educational toys or devices (see S. 2561), [7MY]
———electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY] (see S. 3045), [9MY]
Taxation: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [6JN]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———provide a credit for early childhood education professional school personnel, expand deduction for expenses to early childhood education teachers, and modify credit for dependent care services (see S. 2180), [8MR]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]

———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
Unemployment: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certificate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
University of North Carolina at Pembroke: anniversary (see S. Res. 414), [29MR]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]
Women: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Cloture motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization: Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3546), [11DE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]

EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3335), [21JN]

EGYPT, ARAB REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Courts: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Foreign aid: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
———suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign policy: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Reports filed
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 372), [14FE]

EIELSON AFB, AK
Bills and resolutions
Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]

EL PASO COUNTY, CO
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]

EL SALVADOR, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
———modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]

ELECTIONS *related term(s)* **FUNDRAISING; POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS; VOTING**
Bills and resolutions
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Constitutional amendments: contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Dept. of Justice: provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
Immigration: make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
———provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
———reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
———modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Reports filed
District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]

ELECTRIC POWER *related term(s)* **POWER RESOURCES**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Tariff: adjustable metal lighting fixtures (see S. 2422), [26AP]
———aluminum lamp-holder housings (see S. 2415), [26AP]
———brass lamp-holder housings (see S. 2416), [26AP]
———electrical connectors (see S. 2418), [26AP]
———electrical transformers (see S. 2805), [7MY]
———lithium-ion electrical storage batteries (see S. 2334), [23AP]
———nightlights made of plastic (see S. 2423), [26AP]
———plastic lamp-holder housings (see S. 2413), [26AP]
———porcelain lamp-holder housings (see S. 2414), [26AP]
———surge protectors (see S. 2420), [26AP]
———tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters (see S. 2421), [26AP]
———time switches (see S. 2419), [26AP]
———wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]

Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
———extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Reports filed
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT
Bills and resolutions
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]

ELECTRONICS
Bills and resolutions
Crime: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
Tariff: electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY] (see S. 3045), [9MY]
———high-performance loudspeakers (see S. 2804), [7MY]
———injection-molded ABS of PP cases or containers used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games (see S. 3046), [9MY]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———liquidation or reliquidation of digital still image video cameras (see S. 2949), [8MY]
———metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors (see S. 2573), [7MY]
———occupancy sensors (see S. 2417), [26AP]
———power electronics boxes and static converter composite units (see S. 2332), [23AP]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
———subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications (see S. 2586), [7MY]
———wide-range high sensitivity zoom security cameras (see S. 2572), [7MY]
Reports filed
Inquiry Into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Dept. of Defense Supply Chain: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–167), [21MY]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
Reports filed
Amend: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]

ELLSWORTH AFB, SD
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]

ELLWOOD CITY, PA
Bills and resolutions
Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building: designate (see S. 3386), [16JY]

EMBASSIES
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]

EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]

EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL *see* **HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT (ERISA)
Bills and resolutions
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]

EMPLOYMENT *related term(s)* **SEXUAL HARASSMENT; UNEMPLOYMENT**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
Armed Forces: improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
———permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Children and youth: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
———reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Dept. of Education: establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
———disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
———establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
———minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]

———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
———provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
———require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]
———require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Dept. of the Interior: establish a Veterans Conservation Corps (see S. 2130), [17FE]
———implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
———transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [24JY] (see S. 3457), [30JY]
———improve provision of work-study allowances for individuals pursuing rehabilitation, education, or training programs (see S. 3503), [2AU]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
———promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
———streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
———support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
———reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
———treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National Veterans Support Network: establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
———establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Senior citizens: provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: extend solvency of the trust funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———provide a credit for early childhood education professional school personnel, expand deduction for expenses to early childhood education teachers, and modify credit for dependent care services (see S. 2180), [8MR]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Unemployment: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certifi-

cate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
———require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY] (see S. 3236), [24MY]
———require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Messages
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
Motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3429), [31JY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE], [19SE]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]
Reports filed
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]

END TRAFFICKING IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]

ENDANGERED SPECIES
Bills and resolutions
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Texas: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Claims: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]

ENDANGERED SPECIES DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]

ENDING HOUSING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST SERVICEMEMBERS AND VETERANS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3283), [11JN]

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ENERGY POLICY ACT
Reports filed
Dept. of Energy Administrative Improvement Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–147), [7FE]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]

ENGINEERING *related term(s)* **MATHEMATICS**
Bills and resolutions
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]

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***ENTERPRISE* (U.S.S.)**
Bills and resolutions
Ships and vessels: tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
———provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Federal employees: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Foreign countries: prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
Government regulations: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
Hazardous substances: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program: reauthorize (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]

Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Renewable fuel standard: partially waive when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Small business: standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Water: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Motions
Government regulations: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
Reports filed
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

ENZI, MICHAEL B. ***(a Senator from Wyoming)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [8MR]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [22MR]
Agriculture: restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 1161), [16FE] (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [27FE]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [29MR]
Credit: require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [13JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize exploration, leasing, development, and production of oil and gas in and from the western Coastal Plain of Alaska without surface occupancy (see S. 351), [14MY]
———install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [12JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [9MY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [19SE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements (see S. 1369), [24JA]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
———standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (see S. 3187), [15MY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [30JY] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [21SE]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [2AU]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [15FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [20SE]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: establish smart card pilot program (see S. 1551), [21MY]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [2AU]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [15MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [16MY] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal prohibition on using medical savings account funds to

purchase over-the-counter medications (see S. 1368), [9MY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [8MY]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small business: preserve option for businesses to operate as they choose, including as flow-through entities, and oppose tax changes forcing such businesses to reorganize as C corporations (see S. Res. 88), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [14MY]
Taxation: extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [3DE]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [5JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [7MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [9FE]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [15FE]
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Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
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EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT
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Judgment Fund: require disclosure of all payments made (see S. 3415), [19JY]

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION
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Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
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Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

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ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]

ETHNIC GROUPS *related term(s)* **MINORITIES**
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Armed Forces: ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
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Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
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Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
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Dept. of Justice, (EC4657, EC4658, EC4662) [26JA], (EC4883) [2FE], (EC4918, EC4921) [6FE], (EC5037) [16FE], (EC5201) [6MR], (EC5317) [8MR], (EC5367, EC5368, EC5371) [15MR], (EC5398) [20MR], (EC5667) [17AP], (EC5740) [18AP], (EC5778) [23AP], (EC5957) [7MY], (EC6159) [17MY], (EC6311, EC6317) [24MY], (EC6851) [12JY], (EC6882) [19JY], (EC6972, EC6980) [26JY], (EC7259) [10SE], (EC7394) [12SE], (EC7469, EC7475) [13SE], (EC7662) [20SE], (EC7736) [21SE], (EC7898, EC7902) [13NO], (EC8071, EC8072, EC8080) [26NO], (EC8122) [27NO], (EC8348) [29NO], (EC8768) [31DE]

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Dept. of the Air Force, (EC5597) [17AP], (EC5702) [18AP], (EC6387) [7JN]

Dept. of the Army, (EC4584) [26JA], (EC4784) [30JA], (EC4947) [9FE], (EC5088, EC5101) [28FE], (EC5125, EC5128) [29FE], (EC5323) [13MR], (EC5596, EC5626) [17AP], (EC5718) [18AP], (EC6000) [8MY], (EC6870) [18JY], (EC6884) [19JY], (EC6942) [26JY], (EC7012) [30JY], (EC7395, EC7396, EC7397) [12SE], (EC7719, EC7738) [21SE], (EC7765, EC7834) [13NO], (EC7953) [14NO], (EC8016) [15NO]

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Dept. of the Navy, (EC4494) [24JA], (EC4906) [6FE], (EC6015) [9MY]

Dept. of the Treasury, (EC4421, EC4424, EC4425, EC4426, EC4427) [23JA], (EC4509, EC4510, EC4511) [24JA], (EC4585, EC4599, EC4600, EC4651, EC4659, EC4660, EC4661) [26JA], (EC4776) [30JA], (EC4794, EC4795) [31JA], (EC4910, EC4911) [6FE], (EC4929, EC4930, EC4959) [9FE], (EC5062) [27FE], (EC5131) [29FE], (EC5347) [14MR], (EC5358, EC5364) [15MR], (EC5393, EC5395) [20MR], (EC5524) [29MR], (EC5613, EC5629, EC5666) [17AP], (EC5708) [18AP], (EC5799) [24AP], (EC5815, EC5816) [25AP], (EC5923) [26AP], (EC6001) [8MY], (EC6024, EC6025, EC6026, EC6027, EC6028) [9MY], (EC6056, EC6057) [10MY], (EC6130) [17MY], (EC6192) [21MY], (EC6212) [23MY], (EC6294, EC6295) [24MY], (EC6394, EC6395, EC6396) [7JN], (EC6487, EC6515) [13JN], (EC6543) [19JN], (EC6687, EC6688) [27JN], (EC6712) [28JN], (EC6797) [11JY], (EC6852) [12JY], (EC6927, EC6931) [24JY], (EC7000, EC7001) [26JY], (EC7158, EC7207) [10SE], (EC7355, EC7356, EC7357, EC7360) [12SE], (EC7612) [19SE], (EC7642) [20SE], (EC7701) [21SE], (EC7775, EC7783, EC7784, EC7785, EC7786, EC7787, EC7788, EC7904, EC7905, EC7906) [13NO], (EC7935, EC7936, EC7980) [14NO], (EC8076) [26NO], (EC8126, EC8148, EC8149, EC8159) [27NO], (EC8186) [28NO], (EC8325) [29NO], (EC8402) [4DE], (EC8579) [12DE], (EC8629) [20DE], (EC8704, EC8722, EC8727) [21DE], (EC8732, EC8733, EC8734, EC8735) [28DE]

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Dept. of Veterans Affairs, (EC4671, EC4672, EC4673, EC4674, EC4675, EC4676, EC4677) [26JA], (EC4885, EC4886) [2FE], (EC4919, EC4920) [6FE], (EC4948) [9FE], (EC5178) [1MR], (EC5245, EC5246) [7MR], (EC5558) [29MR], (EC5653) [17AP], (EC5750, EC5751) [19AP], (EC6080, EC6081) [10MY], (EC6371) [6JN], (EC6417) [7JN], (EC6723, EC6724) [28JN], (EC6856, EC6857) [12JY], (EC7131) [2AU], (EC7476, EC7477) [13SE], (EC7737) [21SE], (EC7907, EC7908, EC7909) [13NO], (EC8078, EC8079) [26NO], (EC8197, EC8198, EC8199) [28NO], (EC8349) [29NO], (EC8384) [3DE], (EC8421, EC8422) [4DE], (EC8508) [6DE], (EC8582) [12DE], (EC8628) [20DE]

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Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, (EC5839) [25AP]

Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, (EC5580) [29MR], (EC6693) [27JN]

Federal Financing Bank, (EC8152) [27NO], (EC8378) [3DE]

Federal Home Loan Banks, (EC5709) [18AP], (EC6299) [24MY], (EC6541) [19JN], (EC6692, EC6698) [27JN], (EC6798, EC6799, EC6800, EC6801, EC6802) [11JY], (EC6933) [24JY], (EC7002) [26JY], (EC7789) [13NO]

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Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund, (EC5839) [25AP]

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Inter-Parliamentary Union, (EC8031) [15NO]

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———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by

partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and process all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]
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Dept. of Energy: establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
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Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
———limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
———prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
———reduce Federal advertising budgets (see S. 3540), [13SE]
———reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
———report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
———require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
———require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
———strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Foreign trade: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
Government: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
———require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
SBA: establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
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Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
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Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
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———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Reports filed
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

EXPLOSIVES *related term(s)* **FIREARMS**
Bills and resolutions
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Tariff: fireworks, display or special fireworks (see S. 2464), [26AP]
———fireworks, other than display or special fireworks (see S. 2463), [26AP]

EXPORT APPLE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE U.S.
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Cloture motions
Reauthorize (H.R. 2072): motion to proceed, [10MY]
Motions
Reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]
Reports filed
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]

EXPORTS *see* **FOREIGN TRADE**

FAA SUNSETS EXTENSION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3276), [7JN]

Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]

FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]

FAIR HOUSING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Health care professionals: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]

FAIR MINIMUM WAGE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3453), [26JY]

FAIR TRADE LAWS *see* **FOREIGN TRADE**

FAIRNESS IN DISCLOSURE OF EVIDENCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2197), [15MR]

FAIRNESS IN FEDERAL DISASTER DECLARATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2303), [19AP]

FAIRNESS IN WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2172), [7MR]

FALLS FREE COALITION
Bills and resolutions
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]

FALSE CLAIMS ACT
Reports filed
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]

FAMILIES AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS *related term(s)* **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**
Bills and resolutions
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Afterschool Alliance (organization): support goals and ideals of Lights on Afterschool! event (see S. Res. 587), [21SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———provide for relief in civil actions for violations of the protections on credit extended to members and their dependents (see S. 3207), [21MY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
———establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
———establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
———issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
———provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Constitutional amendments: parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Economy: rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
Employment: permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Gold Star Wives Day: designate (see S. Res. 420), [17AP]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Taxation: exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain

annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
———provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
Cloture motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
Motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (S. 1925), [17AP]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925), [7FE]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925) (S. Rept. 112–153), [12MR]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

FAMILY AND BUSINESS TAX CUT CERTAINTY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3521), [10SE]
Motions
Enact (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]

FAMILY FARMER BANKRUPTCY TAX CLARIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3545), [13SE]

FANG LIZHI
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]

FANNIE MAE (GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED ENTERPRISE)
Bills and resolutions
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]

FARGO, ND
Bills and resolutions
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]

FARM SECURITY AND RURAL INVESTMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
———modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]

FARMERS *see* **AGRICULTURE**

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Reports filed
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3220), [16MY]

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FEDERAL AID PROGRAMS *related term(s)* **PUBLIC WELFARE PROGRAMS**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY] (see S. 3395), [17JY]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
———extend and improve the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program (see S. 2126), [17FE]
———increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
———prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
———establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [24AP] (see S. 2366), [25AP] (see S. 2834), [7MY]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]

Dept. of Energy: establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
———provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [10JY]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [24JY] (see S. 3457), [30JY]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———improve the Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program (see S. 3348), [27JN]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
———provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
———include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [29MR]
———provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Education: provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Employment: establish a youth summer employment program (see S. 3273), [7JN]
———streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
EPA: prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
———provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Hurricanes: provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
———provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Veterans Support Network: establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]
Power resources: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]

Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
———ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
———establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
———establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [26NO]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
———reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
———submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Senior citizens: encourage the use of locally grown food in meals programs (see S. 3592), [20SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
———strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders (see S. 3593), [20SE]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Social Security: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Taxation: extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
Unemployment: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certificate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
———require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]
———exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
———require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3429), [31JY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE], [19SE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Geothermal Exploration and Technology Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1142) (S. Rept. 112–145), [7FE]
Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1409) (S. Rept. 112–181), [12JY]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Pilots: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Reports filed
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Bills and resolutions
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Information technology: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

FEDERAL CREDIT UNION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (see S. 3637), [26NO]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Cloture motions
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]

Motions
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE], [13DE]

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. *related term(s)* **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**
Bills and resolutions
Consumers: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Transaction Account Guarantee Program: temporarily extend (see S. 3637), [26NO]
Cloture motions
Transaction Account Guarantee Program: temporarily extend (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Motions
Transaction Account Guarantee Program: temporarily extend (S. 3637), [11DE], [13DE]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

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Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]

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Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Cloture motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Disasters: require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Floods: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
National Dam Safety Program: reauthorize and amend (see S. 3362), [29JN]
National Flood Insurance Program: extend (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
Safety: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Cloture motions
National Flood Insurance Program: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Motions
National Flood Insurance Program: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Reports filed
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]

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Bailey, Jonathan W.: tribute (see S. Res. 559), [19SE]
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Citizenship: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
Diplomats: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Employment: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
———permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [29FE]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
———strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Frumin, Alan S.: tribute (see S. Res. 359), [31JA]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Income: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
Investments: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Senior Executive Service: reform (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Taxation: require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Thrift Savings Plan: authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to accounts (see S. 3175), [14MY]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
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———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [22MR], [17AP], [24AP]
Reports filed
Dept. of Energy Administrative Improvement Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–147), [7FE]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental

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GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 401), [26AP]
21st Century Postal Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]

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Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
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Land use: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]

FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT
Bills and resolutions
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (see S. 2516), [7MY] (see S. 3187), [15MY]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Cloture motions
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Motions
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [24MY], [21JN]
Reports filed
FDA Safety and Innovation Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 2516), [7MY]

FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT
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Government: increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]

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FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION
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Mortgages: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
———establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]

FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY
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Credit: establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]

FEDERAL INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]

FEDERAL INSECTICIDE, FUNGICIDE, AND RODENTICIDE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
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FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONGRESSIONAL BADGE OF BRAVERY BOARD
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Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]

FEDERAL PRISONS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2169), [7MR]

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY ASSET MANAGEMENT REFORM ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]

FEDERAL REGULATIONS *see* **GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS**

FEDERAL RESERVE ACT
Bills and resolutions
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]

FEDERAL RESERVE INDEPENDENCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3219), [22MY]

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Conflicts of interest: restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: require to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———treatment of information provided (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Federal Reserve Act: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]

FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD
Bills and resolutions
Federal employees: authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts (see S. 3175), [14MY]

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410) (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT
Bills and resolutions
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and

sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Reports filed
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to North Carolina (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
———enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
EPA: limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
Families and domestic relations: establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
FEMA: require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
———recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]

FEINSTEIN, DIANNE ***(a Senator from California)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [25JN]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [24AP]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [25JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [14NO]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [24JA]
Children and youth: permit disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations (see S. 225), [31JY]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Colleges and universities: review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [22MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [20SE]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———increase penalties for stealing, transporting, and storing stolen prescription drugs (see S. 1002), [28FE]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [24JA]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
———provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]

Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [19AP]
Dept. of Justice: clarify authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund (see S. 3704), [20DE]
———establish a permanent background check system for youth-serving organization volunteers (see S. 645), [1AU]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [16MY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: carry out programs and activities for connecting children and families with the outdoors (see S. 1802), [23JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [23MY]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [20SE]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [2FE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [14MR]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [25JY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472), [5DE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [13SE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [30JY]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Firearms: require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [13SE]
———ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [6JN]
———revise the Recreation Residence Program by implementing a procedure for determining cabin user fees (see S. 1906), [16FE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [30JY]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [29FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [2AU]
Information technology: limit ability of companies to share consumer geolocation information accessed through electronic communications devices (see S. 1223), [26JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MR]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [17AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [8MR]
Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 1119), [18JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [2AU]
———modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [13NO]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [30JY]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [27JN]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [26MR]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [13MR]
Tariff: recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [9FE]
Taxation: allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund (see S. 1806), [23JY]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [13NO]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———make equitable the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment (see S. 1034), [31JA]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Terrorism: deter and provide justice for victims by ensuring foreign sponsors of terrorism are held accountable to their victims in U.S. courts (see S. 1894), [13SE]
Transportation: prohibit transportation of horses in vehicles containing 2 or more levels stacked on top of one another (see S. 1281), [22MY]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]

Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [24JA]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [9FE]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 21), [14FE]
———improve prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women (see S. 438), [30JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [16FE]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [29FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [24MY]
Computers: provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
FHA: establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
Intelligence services: authorizing appropriations (see S. 3454), [30JY]
———specifically authorize certain funds for intelligence or intelligence-related activity (see S. 3314), [19JN]
Los Angeles Kings (hockey team): tribute (see S. Res. 497), [19JN]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
San Francisco Giants (baseball team): tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]
Tariff: artichokes, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2557), [7MY]
———artichokes prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2558), [7MY]
———bags for toys (see S. 2560), [7MY]
———carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys (see S. 2565), [7MY]
———educational toys or devices (see S. 2561), [7MY]
———electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY]
———floor coverings and mats used for temporary cushioning for children and adults (see S. 2585), [7MY]
———golf club putter heads (see S. 2575), [7MY]
———headphones, AC adapters, and protective cases of molded silicone (see S. 2567), [7MY]
———infant products (see S. 2559), [7MY]
———insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic (see S. 2579, 2580), [7MY]
———measuring or checking instruments parts and accessories (see S. 2555), [7MY]
———mechanics' work gloves (see S. 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2574), [7MY]
———metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors (see S. 2573), [7MY]
———non-toric shaped polarized materials of 80 mm or less in diameter (see S. 2577), [7MY]
———non-toric shaped polarized materials of more than 80 mm in diameter (see S. 2578), [7MY]
———oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved (see S. 2556), [7MY]
———plastic device book style covers (see S. 2581), [7MY]
———plastic device covers and stands (see S. 2584), [7MY]
———plastic stylus pens for use with toys (see S. 2566), [7MY]
———protective cases of molded silicone for toys (see S. 2563), [7MY]
———subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications (see S. 2586), [7MY]
———textile device book style covers (see S. 2582), [7MY]
———textile device covers and stands (see S. 2583), [7MY]
———toric shaped polarized materials (see S. 2576), [7MY]
———wide-range high sensitivity zoom security cameras (see S. 2572), [7MY]
———zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys (see S. 2564), [7MY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
Reports filed
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
Intelligence Services Appropriations: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3454) (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]
FERAL SWINE ERADICATION AND CONTROL PILOT PROGRAM ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
FIGHTING FRAUD TO PROTECT TAXPAYERS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE TO REDUCE TAX HAVEN ABUSE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2253), [29MR]
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Community banks: exempt from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 2909), [8MY]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Credit unions: advance the ability to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Education: provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (see S. 3637), [26NO]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
FHA: establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]
———require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]

———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
GAO: study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
Government regulations: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
Real estate: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
SEC: improve consideration of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (see S. 2373), [26AP]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Senior citizens: protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Taxation: prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
———technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Cloture motions
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Messages
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
Convention on the Law Applicable to Certain Rights in Respect of Securities Held With an Intermediary: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Iran: President Obama, [31JY]
Motions
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE], [13DE]
Reports filed
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]

FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]

FINANCIAL STABILITY OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
Bills and resolutions
Government regulations: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]

FIRE PREVENTION
Bills and resolutions
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Reports filed
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]

FIREARMS *related term(s)* **WEAPONS**
Bills and resolutions
Ammunition: require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
States: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
———provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]
Cloture motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]

FIREFIGHTERS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Reports filed
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]

FIRST MORRILL ACT *see* **LAND-GRANT COLLEGE ACT**

FIRST STATE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]

FISH AND FISHING *related term(s)* **MARINE MAMMALS; NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES; WILDLIFE**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Conservation of natural resources: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
Dept. of the Interior: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to North Carolina (see S. 3687), [17DE]

Food industry: enhance national seafood marketing efforts by creating National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, regional seafood marketing boards, and national coordinating committee (see S. 3615), [21SE]
Foreign trade: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
Government regulations: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
Tariff: fishing reels (see S. 3195), [16MY]
———oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved (see S. 2556), [7MY]
———vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2879), [8MY]
———vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2880), [8MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Cloture motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
Pacific Salmon Stronghold Conservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Pirate Fishing Elimination Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

FISHERIES INVESTMENT AND REGULATORY RELIEF ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2184), [12MR]

FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]

FLAG—U.S.
Bills and resolutions
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Protect (see S. 3296), [14JN]

FLOOD CONTROL *see* **FLOODS**

FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]

FLOODS *related term(s)* **DISASTERS**
Bills and resolutions
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
———preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
———extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Cloture motions
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Motions
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Reports filed
Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]

FLORIDA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
EPA: limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]

FOOD *related term(s)* **AGRICULTURE**
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
———prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of HHS: establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
FDA: promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
Medicare: include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral

therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Senior citizens: encourage the use of locally grown food in meals programs (see S. 3592), [20SE]
Tariff: artichokes, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2557), [7MY]
———artichokes prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2558), [7MY]
———capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2889, 2892), [8MY]
———confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents instead of sugar (see S. 3143), [10MY]
———insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic (see S. 2579, 2580), [7MY]
———oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved (see S. 2556), [7MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved by vinegar (see S. 2891), [8MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2890), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil (see S. 2897), [8MY]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
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Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]

FOOD, CONSERVATION, AND ENERGY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
———extend and improve the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program (see S. 2126), [17FE]

FOOD ADDITIVES
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: black pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2398), [26AP]
———capsicum extracted oleoresin (see S. 2394), [26AP]
———cassia extracted oleoresin (see S. 2395), [26AP]
———celery extracted oleoresin (see S. 2393), [26AP]
———ginger extracted oleoresin (see S. 2392), [26AP]
———licorice extract (see S. 2937), [8MY]
———licorice extract derivatives (see S. 2938), [8MY]
———n-propyl gallate (see S. 2440), [26AP]
———propylene glycol alginates (see S. 2837), [7MY]
———sodium alginate (see S. 2836), [7MY]
———turmeric extracted oleoresin (see S. 2396), [26AP]
———white pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2397), [26AP]

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Children and youth: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
Diseases: help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Drugs: expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (see S. 2516), [7MY] (see S. 3187), [15MY]
Government regulations: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Safety: include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Drugs: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Drugs: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [24MY], [21JN]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
FDA Safety and Innovation Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 2516), [7MY]

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND INNOVATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
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Enact (S. 3187): House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
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Motions
Enact (S. 3187), [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [24MY], [21JN]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 2516), [7MY]

FOOD INDUSTRY
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Fish and fishing: enhance national seafood marketing efforts by creating National Seafood Marketing and Development Fund, regional seafood marketing boards, and national coordinating committee (see S. 3615), [21SE]
———prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
Government regulations: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]

FOOD SECURITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]

FOOD STAMP RESTORATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3602), [20SE]

FOOD STAMPS (SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM) *see* **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; PUBLIC WELFARE PROGRAMS**

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FOREIGN AID *related term(s)* **FOREIGN POLICY**
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Dept. of State: require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
Embassies: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign countries: provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain coun-

tries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
International relations: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]

FOREIGN AID TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]

FOREIGN BANKS
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Messages
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Iran: President Obama, [31JY]

FOREIGN COUNTRIES
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [22MR]
Bills and resolutions
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
———prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
———provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Dept. of Labor: require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
EPA: prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
———report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
———provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
———suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
———ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
———establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
———apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [21MR]
———enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
———make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
———prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice

(see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma: President Obama, [11JY]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Designation for South Sudan: President Obama, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Argentina: President Obama, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands: President Obama, [29JN]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for St. Kitts and Nevis: President Obama, [20DE]
National Emergency Relative to Burma: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations: President Obama, [18JY]
National Emergency Relative to Somalia: President Obama, [23JY]
National Emergency Relative to Syria: President Obama, [9MY]
National Emergency Relative to the Former Liberian Regime of Charles Taylor: President Obama, [17JY]
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National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Tax Convention With Chile: President Obama, [17MY]
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Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]
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African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia—Comparison of International Approaches: Committee on Aging (Senate, Special) (S. Rept. 112–254), [19DE]
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act Import Restrictions Renewal Approval: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
Pirate Fishing Elimination Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 401), [26AP]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

FOREIGN CULTURAL EXCHANGE JURISDICTIONAL IMMUNITY CLARIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2212), [20MR]

FOREIGN CURRENCIES
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Intelligence services: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
Privacy: provide additional protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Reports filed
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
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Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of

anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]

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Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Business and industry: prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
———designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
———require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
———require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
———prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
———establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Foreign trade: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Human rights: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3406), [19JY]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
———honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
———strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
———extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN] (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]

Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
———end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Women: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
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Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
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Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act Import Restrictions Renewal Approval: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
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Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
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Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]
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———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
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Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
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African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
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Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]

Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
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Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Exports: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
Fisheries: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
Government regulations: prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3406), [19JY]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
———take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Petroleum: ban exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land (see S. 2211), [20MR]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN] (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Small business: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Syria: impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Tariff: acetamiprid, whether or not combined with application adjuvants (see S. 2430), [26AP]
———(acetato) pentammine cobalt dinitrate with a polymeric or paraffinic carrier mixture (see S. 2501), [26AP]
———acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene-, pentyl ester (see S. 3115), [10MY]
———acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide (see S. 2821), [7MY]
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———acrylic snow globes (see S. 2882), [8MY]
———acrylic staple fibers (see S. 3086, 3123, 3124, 3125, 3126), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3094, 3095), [10MY]
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———acrylic staple fibers, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3093, 3096), [10MY]
———adjustable metal lighting fixtures (see S. 2422), [26AP]
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———alginic acid, ammonium alginate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate (see S. 2833), [7MY]
———alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-dodecylphenol mixtures (see S. 2499), [26AP]
———alkene polymers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene mixture, [7MY]
———allyl caproate (see S. 2973), [8MY]
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———alpha-phenyl-2-piperdylacetic acid (see S. 2732), [7MY]
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———aluminum lamp-holder housings (see S. 2415), [26AP]
———Amberwood F (see S. 2965), [8MY]
———aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients mixtures (see S. 2750), [7MY]
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———anisic aldehyde (see S. 3002), [8MY]
———apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———artichokes, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2557), [7MY]
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———ascorbic acid encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2646), [7MY]
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———benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl) (see S. 2597), [7MY]
———benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-, with 2-aminoethanol and poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9- octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z) mixtures (see S. 2505), [26AP]
———benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt (see S. 2802), [7MY]
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———bitolylene diisocyanate (see S. 2391), [26AP]
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———black pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2398), [26AP]
———boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers (see S. 3059), [9MY]
———brass lamp-holder housings (see S. 2416), [26AP]
———brine electrolysis ion exchange apparatus (see S. 2660), [7MY]
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———captan (see S. 2512, 2771), [7MY]
———carbaryl (see S. 2587), [7MY]
———carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol (see S. 2926), [8MY]
———carbonic dihydrazide (see S. 2508), [7MY]
———carded camel hair yarn (see S. 2315), [19AP]
———carded cashmere yarn (see S. 2305, 2307), [19AP]

———carded or combed camel hair (see S. 2309), [19AP]
———carpet cleaners and parts thereof (see S. 2357), [25AP]
———carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys (see S. 2565), [7MY]
———cashmere goat hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2306), [19AP]
———cassia extracted oleoresin (see S. 2395), [26AP]
———cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2915), [8MY]
———catalytic converter mats of glass fibers (see S. 2644), [7MY]
———catalytic converter mounting mats (see S. 2645), [7MY]
———ceiling fans for permanent installation (see S. 3507), [2AU]
———celery extracted oleoresin (see S. 2393), [26AP]
———cellular plastic sheets for micron-retention filters (see S. 2816), [7MY]
———cellular plastic sheets for nano-retention filters (see S. 2820), [7MY]
———ceramic bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps with metal locking pins to allow passage of an electrical current (see S. 2850), [8MY]
———ceramic frit rings (see S. 2444), [26AP]
———cerium nitrate (see S. 2739), [7MY]
———cerium sulfide pigments (see S. 2942), [8MY]
———cermets for ceramic discharge lamps (see S. 2848), [8MY]
———C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes (see S. 2635), [7MY]
———C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers mixtures (see S. 2636), [7MY]
———chemical mixtures (see S. 2727, 2733), [7MY] (see S. 3101, 3102, 3103, 3105, 3114), [10MY]
———chemicals (see S. 2772), [7MY] (see S. 2979, 3004), [8MY]
———chime melody rod assemblies (see S. 2340), [24AP]
———chlorobenzene (see S. 2694), [7MY]
———chloromethylbenzene (see S. 2715), [7MY]
———cinnamic acid (see S. 2352), [25AP]
———cis-3-hexen-1-ol (see S. 2431), [26AP]
———citronitile (see S. 2964), [8MY]
———clarify classification of recreational performance outerwear (see S. 3073), [9MY]
———clarify duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material (see S. 2545), [7MY]
———clearcoat lacquer (see S. 2495), [26AP]
———clock movements (see S. 2339), [24AP]
———clodinafop-propargyl (see S. 2626), [7MY]
———cloquintocet-mexyl (see S. 2632), [7MY]
———clothianidin (see S. 3015), [8MY]
———clothianidin and bacillus firmus product mixtures (see S. 3008), [8MY]
———cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1—1) (see S. 3111), [10MY]
———coffeemakers (see S. 2361), [25AP]
———combed cashmere yarn or camel hair yarn (see S. 2308), [19AP]
———compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (see S. 2530), [7MY]
———C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine (see S. 2637), [7MY]
———confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents instead of sugar (see S. 3143), [10MY]
———copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid) (see S. 2638), [7MY]
———copper peptide (AHK-Cu) (see S. 2795), [7MY]
———copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1—1) (see S. 2793), [7MY]
———copper phthalocyanine green 7, crude (see S. 2491), [26AP]
———coupon holders (see S. 2957), [8MY]
———C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene (see S. 2435), [26AP]
———cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt (see S. 3112), [10MY]
———cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink (see S. 2605), [7MY]
———cyan 854 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2604), [7MY]
———cyanamide (see S. 2349), [25AP]
———cyanuric chloride (see S. 2436), [26AP]
———cyasorb 1164 (see S. 2902), [8MY]
———cyasorb 2908 (see S. 2898), [8MY]
———cyasorb 3346 (see S. 2901), [8MY]
———cyclogalbanate (see S. 2963), [8MY]
———cyclopentylpropionyl chloride (see S. 2348), [25AP]
———cyflufenamid (see S. 2428), [26AP]
———cyfluthrin (see S. 3024), [8MY]
———cyhalothrin mixtures (see S. 2955), [8MY]
———cypermethrin (see S. 2780), [7MY] (see S. 3139), [10MY]
———cyproconazole (see S. 2625), [7MY]
———cyprodinil (see S. 2908), [8MY]
———cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2726), [7MY]
———damascenone (see S. 2931), [8MY]
———daminozide (see S. 2862), [8MY]
———DEMBB (see S. 2524), [7MY]
———D-galacto-D-mannan (see S. 2506), [26AP]
———D-galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water (see S. 2504), [26AP]
———diaminodecane (see S. 2994), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2876), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece (see S. 2875), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2877), [8MY]
———diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester (see S. 2878), [8MY]
———dichloroacetyl chloride (see S. 2598), [7MY]
———di-cup organic peroxide (see S. 2711), [7MY]
———diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated (see S. 2653), [7MY]
———diethylaminoethyl-dextran (see S. 2350), [25AP]
———difenoconazole (see S. 2907), [8MY]
———difenoconazole and mefenoxam mixtures (see S. 2618), [7MY]
———digital camera lenses (see S. 2408, 2412), [26AP]
———dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol copolymer and 2-oxepanone (see S. 2763), [7MY]
———dimethyl dicarbonate (see S. 2697), [7MY]
———dimethyl hydrogen phosphite (see S. 3011), [8MY]
———dimethyl malonate (see S. 3031), [8MY]
———dimethylisopropylamine (DMIPA) (see S. 2687), [7MY]
———diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2981), [8MY]
———direct injection fuel injectors (see S. 2329), [23AP]
———Disflamoll DPK (see S. 2718), [7MY]
———Disflamoll TOF (see S. 2684), [7MY]
———disperse blue 77 (see S. 3110), [10MY]
———disperse red 60 (see S. 3119), [10MY]
———disperse yellow 64 (see S. 3118), [10MY]
———D-mannose (see S. 3028), [8MY]
———dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan (see S. 2930), [8MY]
———Dragosantol (see S. 2962), [8MY]
———drinking glasses (see S. 2536), [7MY]
———drive-axles (see S. 2510), [7MY]
———e-caprolactone-neopentylglycol copolymer (see S. 2927), [8MY]
———e-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer (see S. 2939), [8MY]
———educational toys or devices (see S. 2561), [7MY]
———electric wine bottle openers (see S. 2958), [8MY]
———electrical connectors (see S. 2418), [26AP]
———electrical transformers (see S. 2805), [7MY]
———electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY] (see S. 3045), [9MY]
———11-aminoundecanoic acid (see S. 2698), [7MY]
———esfenvalerate technical (see S. 2610), [7MY]
———ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(4-isodecylphenyl)- (see S. 3169), [10MY]
———ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate (see S. 3108), [10MY]
———ethanoyl chloride (see S. 3172), [10MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced (see S. 3033), [9MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated (see S. 2985), [8MY]
———ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro (see S. 3005), [8MY]
———ethyl salicilate (see S. 2976), [8MY]
———ethyl 2-(isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate (see S. 2614), [7MY]
———ethylene-propylene polymer (see S. 2486), [26AP]
———etridiazole (see S. 2871), [8MY]
———europium oxide (see S. 2744), [7MY]
———eyelash curlers (see S. 3147), [10MY]
———fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric (see S. 2874), [8MY]
———fairway wood heads (see S. 2809), [7MY]
———famoxadone, cymoxanil, and application adjuvants (see S. 2609), [7MY]
———fasteners, in clips suitable for use in a mechanical attaching device (see S. 2806), [7MY]
———fenamidone (see S. 3135), [10MY]
———fenhexamid (see S. 3133), [10MY]
———fenoxaprop-p-ethyl, pyrasulfotole, bromoxynil octanoate, bromoxynil heptanoate, and mefenpyr-diethyl mixtures (see S. 3012, 3022), [8MY]
———fenpyroximate (see S. 2599), [7MY]
———ferroniobium (see S. 2380), [26AP] (see S. 2673), [7MY]
———fiberglass sheets used in flooring (see S. 2708), [7MY]
———fireworks, display or special fireworks (see S. 2464), [26AP]
———fireworks, other than display or special fireworks (see S. 2463), [26AP]
———fishing reels (see S. 3195), [16MY]
———fitness equipment (see S. 3184), [15MY]
———5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1'methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether blocked hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide polymer (see S. 2773), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2828), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2829), [7MY]
———5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol (see S. 2736), [7MY]
———floor coverings and mats used for temporary cushioning for children and adults (see S. 2585), [7MY]
———flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY] (see S. 3132, 3162), [10MY]
———fludioxonil (see S. 2627), [7MY]
———fluopicolide (see S. 3134), [10MY]
———fluopyram (see S. 3130), [10MY]

———fluopyram and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2681), [7MY]
———fluopyram and prothioconazole mixtures (see S. 2719), [7MY]
———fluopyram and pyrimethanil mixtures (see S. 2721), [7MY]
———fluopyram and tebuconazole mixtures (see S. 2680), [7MY]
———fluopyram and trifloxystrobin mixtures (see S. 2720), [7MY]
———fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride (see S. 2641), [7MY]
———flutolanil (see S. 2601), [7MY]
———food choppers (see S. 2360), [25AP]
———food processors (see S. 2359), [25AP]
———footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper (see S. 2883), [8MY]
———footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type (see S. 3068), [9MY]
———forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods (see S. 2511), [7MY]
———forged steel crankshafts (see S. 2914), [8MY]
———formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate (see S. 2537), [7MY]
———formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4'-methylendianiline mixtures (see S. 2738), [7MY]
———fosamine (see S. 2513), [7MY]
———fosetyl-Al (see S. 2704), [7MY]
———4,8-dicyclohexyl -6-2,10-dimethyl -12H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]- dioxaphosphocin (see S. 2478), [26AP]
———4,4'-butylidenebis [3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol] (see S. 2863), [8MY]
———4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl sulfone (see S. 2980), [8MY]
———4,4'-methylenebis(2-chloroaniline) (see S. 2860), [8MY]
———4,4'-oxydianiline (see S. 2754), [7MY]
———4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride (see S. 2498), [26AP]
———4,4'-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol] (see S. 2866), [8MY]
———4-bromobenzyl bromide (see S. 2734), [7MY]
———4-chlorobenzaldehyde (see S. 3021), [8MY]
———4-chloro-3,5-dinitro- a,a,a- trifluorotoluene (see S. 3099), [10MY]
———4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid (see S. 2623), [7MY]
———4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine (see S. 2336), [23AP]
———4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine (see S. 2328), [23AP]
———4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM salt) (see S. 2794), [7MY]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt (see S. 2480), [26AP]
———4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate (see S. 2482), [26AP]
———frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2488), [26AP]
———Frescolat MGA (see S. 2967), [8MY]
———Frescolat ML (see S. 2968), [8MY]
———frit rings composed of dysprosium oxide, dysprosium monosilicate, and mullite (see S. 2849), [8MY]
———fuel injection pumps (see S. 2910), [8MY]
———fuel injectors each functional in a common rail fuel system (see S. 2912), [8MY]
———gadolinium oxide (see S. 2741), [7MY]
———gallium unwrought (see S. 2460), [26AP]
———germanium oxides (see S. 2459), [26AP]
———germanium unwrought (see S. 2458), [26AP]
———ginger extracted oleoresin (see S. 2392), [26AP]
———girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers (see S. 3064), [9MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers (see S. 3060), [9MY]
———glass snow globes (see S. 2881), [8MY]
———glufosinate-ammonium (GA) (see S. 2356), [25AP]
———glyoxylic acid (see S. 2520), [7MY]
———golf bag bodies (see S. 2872), [8MY]
———golf club driver heads (see S. 2808), [7MY]
———golf club iron heads (see S. 2810), [7MY]
———golf club putter heads (see S. 2575), [7MY]
———golf wedge club heads (see S. 2811), [7MY]
———hand tools designed for securing plastic fasteners (see S. 2807), [7MY]
———handheld food blenders (see S. 2363), [25AP]
———HAS (see S. 2899), [8MY]
———headphones, AC adapters, and protective cases of molded silicone (see S. 2567), [7MY]
———helional (see S. 2432), [26AP]
———helium (see S. 2735), [7MY]
———helvetolide (see S. 2928), [8MY]
———hexane, 1,6-dichloro- (see S. 2896), [8MY]
———high pressure fuel pumps (see S. 2335), [23AP]
———high-performance loudspeakers (see S. 2804), [7MY]
———hirvenal (see S. 2929), [8MY]
———Hostanox P-EPQ (see S. 3168), [10MY]
———Hostapur SAS (see S. 3142), [10MY]
———Hostavin 3055 (see S. 3170), [10MY]
———Hostavin 3058 (see S. 3141), [10MY]
———huron yellow dye (see S. 2549), [7MY]
———hybrid electric vehicle inverters (see S. 2330), [23AP]
———hybrid golf club heads (see S. 2812), [7MY]
———hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution (see S. 2796), [7MY]
———hydrolite 5 (see S. 2998), [8MY]
———Hydrolite 6 (see S. 2969), [8MY]
———imazalil (see S. 2922), [8MY]
———imazalil mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2918), [8MY]
———imidacloprid (see S. 2385), [26AP] (see S. 3136), [10MY]
———imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its b-cyfluthrin isomer mixtures (see S. 2384), [26AP]
———imidacloprid and thiodicarb mixtures (see S. 2381), [26AP]
———imidacloprid with application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2383), [26AP]
———iminodisuccinate (see S. 2706), [7MY]
———imitation jewelry earrings (see S. 2454), [26AP]
———imitation jewelry necklaces or bracelets (see S. 2455), [26AP]
———increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
———indaziflam (see S. 3131, 3161), [10MY]
———infant products (see S. 2559), [7MY]
———inflatable swimming pools (see S. 2959), [8MY]
———injection-molded ABS of PP cases or containers used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games (see S. 3046), [9MY]
———instant print film for analog photography (see S. 2427), [26AP]
———insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic (see S. 2579, 2580), [7MY]
———invisible blue dye (see S. 2550), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized (see S. 2657), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized (see S. 2683), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid cross-linked with divinylbenzene, potassium ionic form (see S. 2656), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resin-methanamine, N methyl reaction products with chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer (see S. 2658), [7MY]
———ion-exchange resins (see S. 3030), [8MY]
———ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether (see S. 3029), [8MY]
———ipconazole (see S. 2853), [8MY]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———knitted or crocheted fabrics containing elastomeric yarn (see S. 2743), [7MY]
———Lambda-Cy (see S. 2766), [7MY]
———lanthanum, cerium, and terbium phosphates mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2747), [7MY]
———lanthanum oxide (see S. 2742), [7MY]
———lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium (see S. 2553), [7MY]
———Laromer PE 55 F (see S. 2532), [7MY]
———Levapren-Levamel (see S. 2707), [7MY]
———licorice extract (see S. 2937), [8MY]
———licorice extract derivatives (see S. 2938), [8MY]
———lightweight digital camera lenses (see S. 2409, 2410, 2411), [26AP]
———linuron (see S. 3034), [9MY]
———liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea (see S. 2893), [8MY]
———liquidation or reliquidation of digital still image video cameras (see S. 2949), [8MY]
———liquid-filled glass bulbs designed for sprinkler systems and other release devices (see S. 2769), [7MY]
———lithium carbonate (see S. 3153), [10MY]
———lithium chloride (see S. 3152), [10MY]
———lithium-ion electrical storage batteries (see S. 2334), [23AP]
———low expansion laboratory glassware (see S. 2462), [26AP]
———low expansion stoppers, lids, and other closures (see S. 2461), [26AP]
———lutetium oxide (see S. 2943), [8MY]
———made up articles (see S. 3107), [10MY]
———magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid (see S. 2434), [26AP]
———magnesium peroxide (see S. 2986), [8MY]
———magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid (see S. 2433), [26AP]
———majantol (see S. 2997), [8MY]
———mandipropamid (see S. 2521), [7MY]
———manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin (see S. 3071), [9MY]
———manganese flake (see S. 2379), [26AP]
———manicure and pedicure sets (see S. 3148), [10MY]
———measuring or checking instruments parts and accessories (see S. 2555), [7MY]
———mechanics' work gloves (see S. 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2574), [7MY]
———men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3037, 3039), [9MY]
———men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3036, 3038), [9MY]
———men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3041, 3042), [9MY]
———men's leathered footwear (see S. 3056, 3058), [9MY]
———menthol-D (see S. 2970), [8MY]
———mesosulfuron-methyl (see S. 3009), [8MY]

———mesotrione (see S. 2525), [7MY]
———metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors (see S. 2573), [7MY]
———metal iodide pellets (see S. 2445), [26AP]
———metal screw type bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2845), [8MY]
———metallic manganese (see S. 2669), [7MY]
———methanesulfonic acid (see S. 2714), [7MY]
———methanesulfonyl chloride (see S. 2717), [7MY]
———methidathion (see S. 2950), [8MY]
———methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene (see S. 2991), [8MY]
———methyl cinnamate (see S. 2975), [8MY]
———methyl 4-([(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H. 1.2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-aminosulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2382), [26AP]
———methyl 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate (see S. 2608), [7MY]
———methyl salicylate (see S. 2916, 2999), [8MY]
———methyl sulfanilylcarbamate sodium salt (see S. 2777), [7MY]
———methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5- triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2612), [7MY]
———methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer (see S. 2659), [7MY]
———micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12; and polyamide 6, 12 (see S. 2693), [7MY]
———modacrylic staple fibers (see S. 3121, 3122), [10MY]
———monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil (see S. 3027), [8MY]
———motor generator units (see S. 2333), [23AP]
———mucochloric acid (see S. 3098), [10MY]
———muscenone delta (see S. 2932), [8MY]
———N,N-hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenylpropionamide)) (see S. 2869), [8MY]
———N,N'N''-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H,4H,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide (see S. 2775), [7MY]
———nail clippers (see S. 3149), [10MY]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline), 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt (zinc pyrithione) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2424), [26AP]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2425), [26AP]
———necklaces or bracelets, other than those containing jadeites or rubies (see S. 2453), [26AP]
———Neo Heliopan Hydro (see S. 2971), [8MY]
———neon, compressed (see S. 2941), [8MY]
———neononyl acetate (see S. 2982), [8MY]
———n-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline (see S. 2751), [7MY]
———N510 (see S. 2933), [8MY]
———N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-ethanedioate (see S. 2674), [7MY]
———nightlights made of plastic (see S. 2423), [26AP]
———9, 10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)- (CAS No. 32588-54-8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)- (see S. 2978), [8MY]
———nitroaniline (see S. 2756), [7MY]
———N-[methoxy(methylthio)phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation (see S. 2774), [7MY]
———noils of camel hair (see S. 2314), [19AP]
———non-toric shaped polarized materials of 80 mm or less in diameter (see S. 2577), [7MY]
———non-toric shaped polarized materials of more than 80 mm in diameter (see S. 2578), [7MY]
———n-propyl gallate (see S. 2440), [26AP]
———N'-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber mixtures (see S. 2475), [26AP]
———N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone mixtures (see S. 2990), [8MY]
———Nylostab Seed (see S. 3171), [10MY]
———o-acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) (see S. 2758), [7MY] (see S. 2948), [8MY]
———occupancy sensors (see S. 2417), [26AP]
———o-chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline) (see S. 2479), [26AP]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2977), [8MY] (see S. 3032), [9MY]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene,oxidized, polymerized, reduced (see S. 3007), [8MY]
———1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid (see S. 2672), [7MY]
———1,6-diisocyanato-hexane homopolymer, polyethylene-polypropylene glycol mono-Bu ether blocked (see S. 2779), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol dimethyl carbonate polymer (see S. 2767), [7MY]
———1,6-hexanediol-dimethyl carbonate copolymer (see S. 2765), [7MY]
———1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)- (see S. 2895), [8MY]
———1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde (see S. 2493), [26AP]
———1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile (see S. 2619), [7MY]
———1,3-bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA) (see S. 2503), [26AP]
———1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane (see S. 2786), [7MY]
———1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3-[[[dimethyl[3-[(2-methyl-1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]propyl]ammonio]acety]amino]propyl]-2-hydroxy-N,N,N',N',N'-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide (see S. 2483), [26AP]
———1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane (see S. 2784), [7MY]
———1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl (see S. 2677), [7MY]
———1-chloro-2-propanone (see S. 2523), [7MY]
———1H-[1,2,4]triazole (see S. 2678), [7MY]
———1-methylimidazole (see S. 2792), [7MY]
———1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H. 31.-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-) (see S. 2481), [26AP]
———1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers) mixture (see S. 2476), [26AP]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2993), [8MY]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed (see S. 2992), [8MY]
———1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetrazol-5-one (see S. 2671), [7MY]
———o-nitrophenol (see S. 2522), [7MY]
———oryzalin (see S. 2782), [7MY]
———o-toluidine (see S. 2514), [7MY]
———oxadiazon (see S. 2354), [25AP]
———oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2989), [8MY]
———oxyfluorfen (see S. 2768), [7MY] (see S. 3145), [10MY]
———oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved (see S. 2556), [7MY]
———paclobutrazol (see S. 2951), [8MY]
———p-aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide) (see S. 2822), [7MY]
———para-methoxyphenol (see S. 2528), [7MY]
———paraquat and emetic mixtures (see S. 2905), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride (see S. 2857), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride and inerts (see S. 2858), [8MY]
———parts of frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2507), [26AP]
———pasta tools (see S. 2358), [25AP]
———PCBTF (see S. 2843), [8MY]
———PCBTF with acid acceptor (see S. 2842), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antioxidant (see S. 2841), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antistatic (see S. 2852), [8MY]
———PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor (see S. 2844), [8MY]
———p-dichlorobenzene (see S. 2695), [7MY]
———penflufen (see S. 2386), [26AP]
———pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (see S. 2859), [8MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved by vinegar (see S. 2891), [8MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2890), [8MY]
———perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (see S. 2643), [7MY]
———perfluorocarbon amines (see S. 2634), [7MY]
———permethrin (see S. 3020), [8MY]
———PHBA (see S. 2995), [8MY]
———phenmedipham (see S. 2701), [7MY]
———phenyl esters of C10 C18 alkylsulfonic acids mixtures (see S. 2692), [7MY]
———phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate (see S. 2611), [7MY]
———phenyl isocyanate (see S. 2665), [7MY]
———phenylethyl isobutyrate (see S. 2983), [8MY]
———phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide (see S. 2728), [7MY]
———phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex (see S. 2987), [8MY]
———phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde mixtures (see S. 3013), [8MY]
———phosphorescent pigment (see S. 2541), [7MY]
———phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped (see S. 3010), [8MY]
———phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2595), [7MY] (see S. 2868), [8MY]
———phosphorus sulfochloride (see S. 2699), [7MY]
———picoxystrobin (see S. 2589, 2752), [7MY]
———pigment red 187 (see S. 2831), [7MY]
———pigment violet 23 (see S. 2663), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 151 (see S. 3167), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 154 (see S. 3165), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 175 (see S. 3166), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 180 (see S. 2801), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 181 (see S. 2832), [7MY]
———pigments based on titanium dioxide (see S. 2662), [7MY]
———pinoxaden (see S. 2633), [7MY]
———piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets (see S. 2696), [7MY]
———pistons for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2911), [8MY]
———plain shaft sputter bearings (see S. 2913), [8MY]
———plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades (see S. 3150, 3151), [10MY]
———plastic children's wallets (see S. 2956), [8MY]
———plastic device book style covers (see S. 2581), [7MY]
———plastic device covers and stands (see S. 2584), [7MY]
———plastic fittings composed of perfluoroalkoxy (PFA) resin (see S. 2817), [7MY]
———plastic laminate sheets (see S. 2485), [26AP]
———plastic lamp-holder housings (see S. 2413), [26AP]
———plastic mesh for filters (see S. 2818), [7MY]
———plastic mesh for filters (high flow) (see S. 2819), [7MY]
———plastic stylus pens for use with toys (see S. 2566), [7MY]
———p-nitrotoluene (see S. 2691), [7MY]
———polycrystalline alumina discharge tubes prefilled with metal halide salts and designated for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2851), [8MY]
———polycrystalline alumina tubes and shaped bodies designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2847), [8MY]
———polycrystalline fibers (see S. 2642), [7MY]
———polyethylene glycol, C16 C18 fatty acids, and C2 C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons mixtures (see S. 2497), [26AP]

———polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing triphenylmethane triisocyanate in solvents (see S. 2788), [7MY]
———polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol (see S. 2925), [8MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2690), [7MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate mixtures (see S. 3072), [9MY]
———poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2689), [7MY]
———poly(toluene diisocyanate) (see S. 2760), [7MY]
———poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane) (see S. 2940), [8MY]
———poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde) (see S. 2533), [7MY]
———polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone mixtures (see S. 2518), [7MY]
———porcelain lamp-holder housings (see S. 2414), [26AP]
———portable personal area mosquito repellents (see S. 2531), [7MY]
———potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H,3H-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate (see S. 2753), [7MY]
———potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2640), [7MY]
———potassium sorbate (see S. 2439), [26AP]
———power electronics boxes and static converter composite units (see S. 2332), [23AP]
———preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium (see S. 2846), [8MY]
———preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking (see S. 3144), [10MY]
———Preventol O extra (see S. 2789), [7MY]
———Preventol ON extra preservative (see S. 2686), [7MY]
———profenofos (see S. 2960), [8MY]
———programmable controllers (see S. 2509), [7MY]
———propargite (see S. 2870), [8MY]
———propiconazole (see S. 2906, 2917), [8MY]
———propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2923), [8MY]
———propoxur (2-(1-methylethoxy)phenol methylcarbamate) (see S. 3026), [8MY]
———propoxycarbazone-sodium (see S. 3019), [8MY]
———propylene glycol alginates (see S. 2837), [7MY]
———protective cases of molded silicone for toys (see S. 2563), [7MY]
———p-toluenesulfonamide (see S. 2426), [26AP]
———p-toluidine (see S. 2484), [26AP] (see S. 2688), [7MY]
———pymetrozine (see S. 2630), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2600, 2616), [7MY]
———pyrimethanil (see S. 2700), [7MY] (see S. 2924), [8MY]
———pyrithiobac-sodium (see S. 2613), [7MY]
———pyromellitic dianhydride (see S. 2757), [7MY]
———(R,S)—2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester (see S. 2629), [7MY]
———rayon filament tow (see S. 3088), [10MY]
———reactive black 5 (see S. 3106), [10MY]
———reactive black 31 (see S. 3164), [10MY]
———reactive red (see S. 2546), [7MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels (see S. 2946), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom (see S. 2936), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil (see S. 2897), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of polyester fleece sheet sets (see S. 2947), [8MY]
———rolled glass in sheets (see S. 2679), [7MY]
———rooftop cargo bags (see S. 2621), [7MY]
———(RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole (see S. 2724), [7MY]
———ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots (see S. 2302), [19AP]
———s-metolachlor (see S. 2519), [7MY]
———smooth nonwoven fiberglass sheets of a type primarily used as acoustical facing for ceiling panels (see S. 2705), [7MY]
———sodium alginate (see S. 2836), [7MY]
———sodium ferrocyanide (see S. 2443), [26AP]
———sodium hypophosphite monohydrate (see S. 2437, 2456), [26AP] (see S. 3014), [8MY]
———sodium monochloroacetate (see S. 3163), [10MY]
———sodium thiocyanate (see S. 2492), [26AP]
———solvent orange 115, marigold orange (see S. 2542), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 160—1, Potomac (see S. 2551), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 195 (see S. 2548), [7MY]
———solvent yellow 131, fluorescent yellow M, Mohawk (see S. 2543), [7MY]
———sorbic acid (see S. 2438), [26AP]
———specially designed vehicles (see S. 2534), [7MY]
———spirodiclofen (see S. 2702), [7MY]
———spiromesifen (see S. 3017), [8MY] (see S. 3160), [10MY]
———spirotetramat (see S. 2722), [7MY]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
———sports footwear (see S. 3069), [9MY]
———sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials (see S. 3065), [9MY]
———sports footwear for persons other than men or women (see S. 2399), [26AP]
———sports footwear with cleats (see S. 3066, 3067), [9MY]
———sports footwear with spikes for men (see S. 2400, 2402), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for persons other than men (see S. 2403), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
———stainless steel single piece exhaust gas manifolds (see S. 2737), [7MY]
———stannic oxide (see S. 2791), [7MY]
———staple fibers of rayon, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3092), [10MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon (see S. 2838), [7MY] (see S. 3091), [10MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 2592), [7MY] (see S. 3089, 3090, 3120, 3140), [10MY]
———stator/rotor parts (see S. 2331), [23AP]
———strong base anionic resin (see S. 2682), [7MY]
———strontium halophosphate doped with europium (see S. 2547), [7MY]
———styrene, ar-ethyl-, polymer with divinylbenzene and styrene beads with low ash (see S. 2655), [7MY]
———subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications (see S. 2586), [7MY]
———surge protectors (see S. 2420), [26AP]
———suspension system stabilizer bars (see S. 3044), [9MY]
———synthetic filament yarns (see S. 2814), [7MY]
———tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters (see S. 2421), [26AP]
———tebufenozide (see S. 2429), [26AP]
———terbacil (see S. 3035), [9MY]
———tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with a certain percentage of water or methanol (see S. 2517), [7MY]
———tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate (see S. 2716), [7MY]
———tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate (see S. 2988), [8MY]
———textile device book style covers (see S. 2582), [7MY]
———textile device covers and stands (see S. 2583), [7MY]
———thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend (see S. 2405, 2406, 2407), [26AP]
———thiacloprid (see S. 2723), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam (see S. 2594), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam, difenoconazole, fludioxonil, and mefenoxam formulations (see S. 2628), [7MY]
———thidiazuron (see S. 2725), [7MY]
———thionyl chloride (see S. 2710), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl (see S. 2787), [7MY]
———thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2776), [7MY]
———thiourea dioxide (see S. 2441), [26AP]
———3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine (see S. 2759), [7MY]
———3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate in organic solvent reaction product (see S. 2770, 2778), [7MY]
———3,3',4,4'-biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride (see S. 2755), [7MY]
———3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-) (see S. 2830), [7MY]
———(3-acetoxy-3-cyanpropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester (see S. 2355), [25AP]
———3-amino-4-methylbenzamide (see S. 2823), [7MY]
———3-amino-1,2-propanediol (see S. 2886), [8MY]
———3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one (methylionine) (see S. 2500), [26AP]
———3-methylylbenzyl chloride (see S. 2974), [8MY]
———3-phthalimidopropionaldehyde (see S. 2351), [25AP]
———3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol (see S. 2490), [26AP] (see S. 2873), [8MY]
———thymol (see S. 2996), [8MY]
———time switches (see S. 2419), [26AP]
———Tinopal (see S. 2888), [8MY]
———titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3075), [9MY]
———titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3070), [9MY]
———toasters (see S. 2362), [25AP]
———tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
———toric shaped polarized materials (see S. 2576), [7MY]
———tralopyril (see S. 2920), [8MY]
———triacetonamine (see S. 2854), [8MY]
———triadimefon (see S. 3016), [8MY]
———triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
———triethylenediamine (see S. 2729), [7MY]
———triflic acid (see S. 2527), [7MY]
———triflic anhydride (see S. 2526), [7MY]
———trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]
———Trilon MGDA (see S. 2887), [8MY]
———trimethylcyclohexanol (see S. 2984), [8MY]
———trinexapac-ethyl (see S. 3138), [10MY]
———tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate mixtures (see S. 2762), [7MY]
———truck cabs (see S. 2529), [7MY]
———tungsten carbide (see S. 2670), [7MY]
———tungsten concentrate (see S. 2666), [7MY]
———tungsten oxide (see S. 2668), [7MY]
———turmeric extracted oleoresin (see S. 2396), [26AP]
———12-hydroxystearic acid (see S. 2442), [26AP]
———twisted viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2935), [8MY]
———2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol (see S. 2867), [8MY]
———2,5-dimethyl-2, 5 hexanediol (dimethylhexanediol) (see S. 2685), [7MY]
———2,4-dichloroaniline (see S. 3137), [10MY]
———2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenydiyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3109), [10MY]
———2,3-dichloronitrobenzene (see S. 2664), [7MY]
———[2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt (see S. 3100), [10MY]
———2,2'-methylenebis (4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol) (see S. 2864), [8MY]
———2,2'-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol) (see S. 2861), [8MY]
———2-acetylbutyrolactone (see S. 2703), [7MY]
———2-amino-5-cyano-N,3-dimethylbenzamide (see S. 2588), [7MY]
———2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2839), [8MY]
———2-aminopyridine (see S. 2622), [7MY]

———2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1—2) (see S. 3113), [10MY]
———2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA) (see S. 2790), [7MY]
———2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldehyde (see S. 2676), [7MY]
———2-chlorobenzyl chloride (see S. 3018), [8MY]
———2-chlorotoluene (see S. 2713), [7MY]
———2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl acetonitrile (see S. 2487), [26AP]
———2-ethylhexyl salicylate (see S. 2903), [8MY]
———2-ethylhexylamine (see S. 2761), [7MY]
———2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2840), [8MY]
———2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3116), [10MY]
———2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro- 2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester (see S. 2494), [26AP]
———2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethyl-cyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked (see S. 2783), [7MY]
———2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid (see S. 2904), [8MY]
———2-propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene (see S. 2654), [7MY]
———2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione (see S. 2538), [7MY]
———2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole (see S. 2919), [8MY]
———ultraviolet lamps filled with deuterium gas (see S. 2591), [7MY]
———untwisted filament yarns (see S. 2815), [7MY]
———vacuum-grade ferroniobium (see S. 2667), [7MY]
———vacuum-grade ferroniobium or ferrocolombium (see S. 2378), [26AP]
———vat blue 66 (see S. 3117), [10MY]
———vat violet 10 (see S. 2764), [7MY]
———vinyldine fluoride-trifluoroethylene copolymer (see S. 3006), [8MY]
———vinylidene chloride-methyl methacrylate-acrylonitrile copolymer (see S. 3003), [8MY]
———viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2934), [8MY]
———volleyballs (see S. 2800), [7MY]
———vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2879), [8MY]
———vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2880), [8MY]
———warp knit open-work fabric (see S. 2477), [26AP]
———water-dispersible polyisocyanate products in nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-demethyl-, 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanathohexane homopolymer (see S. 2781), [7MY]
———white pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2397), [26AP]
———wide angle reflectors (see S. 2650), [7MY]
———wide-range high sensitivity zoom security cameras (see S. 2572), [7MY]
———wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]
———women's belts of leather or composition leather (see S. 2452), [26AP]
———women's footwear (see S. 2448, 2451), [26AP]
———women's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3043), [9MY]
———women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3040), [9MY]
———women's leather footwear with non-pigskin uppers (see S. 2446, 2447), [26AP]
———women's leathered footwear (see S. 3055, 3057), [9MY]
———women's nonenumerated footwear (see S. 2449), [26AP]
———women's nonenumerated footwear with textile uppers (see S. 2450), [26AP]
———woven fabric containing vicuna hair (see S. 2310), [19AP]
———xylidine mixtures (see S. 2745), [7MY]
———yttrium oxide and europium oxide mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2749), [7MY] (see S. 2945), [8MY]
———yttrium oxide phosphor, activated by europium (see S. 2552), [7MY]
———yttrium oxides (see S. 2746, 2813), [7MY]
———yttrium phosphate and cerium phosphate mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2944), [8MY]
———zinc dicyanato diamine with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2496), [26AP]
———zinc dimethyldithiocarbamate (see S. 2785), [7MY]
———zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys (see S. 2564), [7MY]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Transportation: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Treaties and agreements: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
———report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
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Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
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Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
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Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]

Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
———convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Firefighters: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
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Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
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Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]

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Armed Forces: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]

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Establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]

FRACTURING REGULATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE IN STATE HANDS ACT
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Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]

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Bills and resolutions
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [26JN]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3395), [25JY]
Armed Forces: provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [11JN]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [16JY]
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
———improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [24AP]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [12JY]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [24AP]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [22MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [18JN]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [1MR] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]

Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [29FE]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [24AP]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———provide secondary school students with the opportunity to participate in a high-quality internship program as part of a broader district-wide work-based learning program (see S. 3711), [27DE]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [12SE]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [5JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [5MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [21SE]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [9MY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [5DE]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy (see S. 1838), [10JY]
———deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [21MY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [11SE]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [10JY]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [13MR]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
———retool manufacturers for clean energy production, provide worker training and tax credits for value-added agriculture investments, expand broadband access, and extend Build America Bonds program (see S. 1895), [26JA]
———retool manufacturers for clean energy production, provide worker training and tax credits for value-added agriculture investments, expand broadband access, and extend Build America Bonds program, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 1895), [1FE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [19JN]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Financial literacy: provide grants to promote (see S. 865), [22MY]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [26JN]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [13NO]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [12JY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [27NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [28NO]
———clarify policy relative to physician supervision of therapeutic hospital outpatient services (see S. 778), [10SE]
———establish pilot projects to provide incentives for home health agencies to utilize home monitoring and communications technologies (see S. 501), [15FE]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [11SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [1MR]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [22MY]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
———require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures (see S. 1360), [24JA]
Postal Service: recalculate and restore retirement annuities, eliminate requirement to pre-fund health benefits fund, restrict facility closures, and create incentives to maintain levels of service (see S. 1853), [17FE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program: improve (see S. 1696), [5JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [24AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: broaden special rules for certain governmental health reimbursement arrangements to include

plans established by political subdivisions (see S. 1366), [31JY]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [15MY]
———extend and increase exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders (see S. 933), [18JN]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [7FE]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [23JY]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [14FE]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [11JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [6FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [26JN]
Trucking industry: establish a commercial truck safety program (see S. 1450), [19SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
———improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [10JY]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [26MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [29NO]
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Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of HHS: improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Taxation: extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Unemployment: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certificate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY]

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Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]

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Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
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Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]

FREEDOM OF SPEECH
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Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Egypt: recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Reports filed
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 372), [14FE]

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Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
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Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria:

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Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
Reports filed
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]
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Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
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Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
GAMBLE, HUGH
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Senate Legal Counsel: authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]
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Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
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China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
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Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
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Bills and resolutions
Albuquerque, NM: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [11JY]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
———improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
———install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
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Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
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Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2244), [25AP]
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Bills and resolutions
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
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Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
GEORGIA (STATE)
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National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
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Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
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Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Agriculture: restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 1161), [26JA] (see S. 2217), [21MR]
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [29JN]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [7JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [22MY]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to facilitate education and training programs in the field of advanced manufacturing (see S. 1329), [19MR]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [3DE]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Children and youth: reduce youth homelessness by extending foster care eligibility and programs and improving programs to keep families together (see S. 961), [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24JY]
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [26JN]
Community colleges: restore funding to Dept. of Labor Community-Based Job Training Grants for workforce development programs and provide Federal assistance for community college modernization (see S. 1978), [21JN]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Courts: prevent termination of temporary bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts (see S. 1821), [9FE]

Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [17JY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [6JN]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
———develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [15MY]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [21MY]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [13FE]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [26NO]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [26MR]
———reduce adolescent pregnancy, HIV rates, and other sexually transmitted diseases by expanding comprehensive, age-appropriate sex education in schools (see S. 1782), [19SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish Office of Agriculture Inspection (see S. 1673), [8MR]
Dept. of HUD: create livable communities through coordinated public investment and streamlined regulations (see S. 1621), [16JY]
———provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [26JN]
Dept. of Labor: authorize a national grant program for on-the-job training (see S. 1168), [22MR]
———provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [14MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [1MR]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [7MY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [2AU]
———improve disability compensation evaluation procedures for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma (see S. 1391), [13NO]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [7MY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———improve diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (see S. 1167), [15MR]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Drugs: increase Federal oversight of prescription opioid treatment and assistance to States in reducing opioid abuse, diversion, and deaths (see S. 507), [21MY]
———make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [12MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Elections: prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections (see S. 1994), [23JA]
EPA: prohibit certain exports of electronic waste (see S. 1270), [8MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [7MY]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [10JY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [13NO]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Firearms: require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [18DE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [18JN]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: measure progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts following earthquake (see S. 1576), [24JA]
———provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [15FE]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hamilton College: anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [13SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [18DE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: provide for equal access to COBRA continuation health coverage (see S. 563), [19SE]
———require health plans to cover treatment of a minor child's congenital or developmental deformity or disorder due to trauma, infection, tumor, or disease (see S. 1045), [2AU]
Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [7MY]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [20JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [20JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [20MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure more timely access to home health services for beneficiaries (see S. 227), [2AU]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [18JN]
———provide coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and other dementia diagnosis and services to improve care and outcomes by increasing detection, diagnosis, care, and planning (see S. 738), [7MY]
———study issues on access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for beneficiaries in all care settings and establish demonstration project on benefits of coverage to administer IVIG in the home (see S. 960), [16MY]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Public Higher Education Day: designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]

New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [14JN]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
———reform financing of Senate elections (see S. 750), [26AP]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
———temporarily reduce interest rates for certain small business disaster loans (see S. 1709), [19DE]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 1970), [7MR]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Supreme Court: permit televising of proceedings (see S. 1945), [9FE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [18JY]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [24MY]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [24JY]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [24JA]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [26AP]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [26JA]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [19SE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [17MY]
———permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [13NO]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [23MY]
———provide for an investment credit relative to the production of electricity from offshore wind (see S. 1397), [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [15MY]
Transportation Security Administration: transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [28NO]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [3DE]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [10SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [20SE]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]
———require a report on implementation of a termination of the ground combat exclusion policy for female members (see S. 3182), [15MY]
———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [15MY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building, Baldwinsville, NY: designate (see S. 3435), [25JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
———permit the export of apples to Canada in bulk bins without certification (see S. 2208), [20MR]
———provide Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
EPA: provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Syria: impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
Taxation: increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]

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Contracts: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]

Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Federal agencies and departments: promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
Financial institutions: study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
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Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [24MY]
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
Bankruptcy: make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Children and youth: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Clean Air Act: clarify a certain provision relative to prevention of accidental releases (see S. 3529), [11SE]
Coast Guard: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Controlled Substances Act: place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Courts: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
———reinstate reporting provision relative to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the U.S. (see S. 2042), [30JA]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
———revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
———require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
———more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
———permit voluntary economic activity (see S. 2269), [29MR]
———promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
———partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
———standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
———reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
———require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
———require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
FEMA: require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
———exempt community banks from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
———require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Foreign trade: prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
GAO: repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Government: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Insurance: repeal law requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting (see S. 3656), [4DE]
Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
———permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Medicare: modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
———reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
SBA: establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
———submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
Science: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
———establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
———improve consideration of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (see S. 2373), [26AP]
———require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
———provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]
Small business: provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]

Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
———technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
———prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]

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Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]

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EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]

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Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Determine Blood Quantum Requirement for Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1560), [31JY]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
GAO Mandates Revision Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 3315) (S. Rept. 112–219), [19SE]
Great Ape Protection and Cost Savings Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
Prevention of Importation of Merchandise Into the U.S. in a Manner That Evades Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3524) (S. Rept. 112–209), [10SE]
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]
Taking Essential Steps for Testing (TEST) Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3391), [19SE]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]

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Bills and resolutions

Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
———require accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [26AP]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Congress: end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
Consumers: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Contracts: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Courts: reinstate reporting provision relative to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the U.S. (see S. 2042), [30JA]
———require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Dept. of HHS: establish a public-private partnership program to provide child care (see S. 2182), [8MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [19JY]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
———limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]

———prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
———reduce Federal advertising budgets (see S. 3540), [13SE]
———reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
———require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
———require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
———strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
———reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
Foreign trade: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
———repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Government regulations: require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]
———strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (see S. 2367), [25AP]
———strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (S. 2367), corrections in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 63), [18DE]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
SSA: perform process for closure of field offices (see S. 3489), [2AU]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
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———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
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———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
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Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
GAO Mandates Revision Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 3315) (S. Rept. 112–219), [19SE]
Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1409) (S. Rept. 112–181), [12JY]
Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 379) (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]

GRAHAM, LINDSEY *(a Senator from South Carolina)*
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
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Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [29MR]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [18JY]
———prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [9FE]
Dept. of Justice: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [7JN]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [1AU]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]

Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [17JY]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: repeal mandate that employers provide health insurance for employees (see S. 20), [28FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [28JN]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [27NO]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [6JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [9FE]
———repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [5DE]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [13MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senior citizens: provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
Taxation: exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [1MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [7JN]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [5MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of HHS: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: revise certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2390), [26AP]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]

GRASSLEY, CHUCK ***(a Senator from Iowa)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [28JN]
———protect lives of born and unborn persons (see S. 91), [13FE]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [10MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [21JN]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Business and industry: increase penalties for economic espionage (see S. 678), [31JY]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Contracts: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [19SE]
———establish a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee (see S. 1381), [20SE]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [14MR]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [21SE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [19JY]

Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FDA: include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 504), [24JA] (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [23JA]
Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [29NO]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [30JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———extend reasonable cost contracts (see S. 1497), [15MY]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]
NAACP: anniversary (see S. Res. 520), [16JY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
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National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [12SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [19DE]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [7FE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
———impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [18JY]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [1MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [19JY]
Taxation: increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [19JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [27JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [15MY]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]

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Agriculture: make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
Taxation: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Over Non-Indians in the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization and the SAVE Native Women Act: Jane M. Smith and Richard M. Thompson II, Congressional Research Service, [26AP]

GREAT APE PROTECTION AND COST SAVINGS ACT

Reports filed

Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]

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Independence: anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]

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GROGAN, SHAWN

Bills and resolutions

Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

GROSS, ALAN P.

Bills and resolutions

Cuba: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]

GUARDIAN ACCOUNTABILITY AND SENIOR PROTECTION ACT

Reports filed

Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]

GUATEMALA, REPUBLIC OF

Bills and resolutions

Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]

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Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

GULF OF THE FARALLONES AND CORDELL BANK NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES BOUNDARY MODIFICATION AND PROTECTION ACT

Reports filed

Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]

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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [30JY]
Budget: provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests (see S. 102), [16FE]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [12SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [13DE]
———produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [3DE]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of HHS: provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [19JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [24JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [27NO]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [20SE]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [17DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204, 3394), [17JY]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Fish and fishing: exclude ecosystem component stocks of fish from certain annual catch limits (see S. 1916), [13NO]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [15FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [7MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [18DE]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [21SE]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [5MR]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [26AP] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: exempt a certain class of securities from regulations limiting the amount of shares sold to raise capital by small businesses (see S. 1544), [7MR]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [17JY]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [29NO]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [14MY]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [31JY]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [16JY]
———provide collegiate housing and infrastructure grants (see S. 705), [9MY]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [9FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
University of North Carolina at Pembroke: anniversary (see S. Res. 414), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [6FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [17MY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Colleges and universities: restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
Dept. of HUD: provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
SBA: establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
Tariff: acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene-, pentyl ester (see S. 3115), [10MY]
———acid blue 324 (see S. 3104), [10MY]
———acifluorfen (see S. 3146), [10MY]
———acrylic fiber tow (see S. 3129), [10MY]
———acrylic filament tow (see S. 3087, 3127, 3128, 3154, 3155, 3156, 3157, 3159), [10MY]
———acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3097), [10MY]

———acrylic staple fibers (see S. 3086, 3123, 3124, 3125, 3126), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3094, 3095), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3158), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3093, 3096), [10MY]
———ceiling fans for permanent installation (see S. 3507), [2AU]
———chemical mixtures (see S. 3101, 3102, 3103, 3105, 3114), [10MY]
———cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1—1) (see S. 3111), [10MY]
———confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents instead of sugar (see S. 3143), [10MY]
———cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt (see S. 3112), [10MY]
———cypermethrin (see S. 3139), [10MY]
———disperse blue 77 (see S. 3110), [10MY]
———disperse red 60 (see S. 3119), [10MY]
———disperse yellow 64 (see S. 3118), [10MY]
———ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(4-isodecylphenyl)- (see S. 3169), [10MY]
———ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate (see S. 3108), [10MY]
———ethanoyl chloride (see S. 3172), [10MY]
———eyelash curlers (see S. 3147), [10MY]
———fenamidone (see S. 3135), [10MY]
———fenhexamid (see S. 3133), [10MY]
———flubendiamide (see S. 3132, 3162), [10MY]
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———4-chloro-3,5-dinitro- a,a,a- trifluorotoluene (see S. 3099), [10MY]
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———mucochloric acid (see S. 3098), [10MY]
———nail clippers (see S. 3149), [10MY]
———Nylostab Seed (see S. 3171), [10MY]
———oxyfluorfen (see S. 3145), [10MY]
———pigment yellow 151 (see S. 3167), [10MY]
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———pigment yellow 175 (see S. 3166), [10MY]
———plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades (see S. 3150, 3151), [10MY]
———preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking (see S. 3144), [10MY]
———rayon filament tow (see S. 3088), [10MY]
———reactive black 5 (see S. 3106), [10MY]
———reactive black 31 (see S. 3164), [10MY]
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———staple fibers of viscose rayon (see S. 3091), [10MY]
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———trinexapac-ethyl (see S. 3138), [10MY]
———2,4-dichloroaniline (see S. 3137), [10MY]
———2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3109), [10MY]
———[2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt (see S. 3100), [10MY]
———2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1—2) (see S. 3113), [10MY]
———2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3116), [10MY]
———vat blue 66 (see S. 3117), [10MY]
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Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]

HAITI, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Earthquakes: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Human rights: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Reports filed
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]

HAITI REFORESTATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]

HAMILTON COLLEGE
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]

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HANFORD, WA
Bills and resolutions
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]

HARBORS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Reports filed
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

HARKIN, TOM ***(a Senator from Iowa)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15MR]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [9JY]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [1FE]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JY]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [24MY]
China: recognize anniversary of persecution of Falun Gong, call for an end to continued persecution, release detained practitioners, and support Tuidang movement renouncing ties to the Communist Party (see S. Res. 232), [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Corporations: require disclosure of beneficial owners of newly incorporated entities to prevent exploitation for criminal gain and assist law enforcement with terrorism and money laundering prevention (see S. 1483), [9JY]
Credit: exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]

Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [25AP]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [19AP]
———deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [21MY]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [25AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Employment: permit employees to request, and ensure employers consider requests, for flexible work terms and conditions (see S. 2142), [7MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [18DE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Financial institutions: provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Firearms: prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [20DE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Immigration: eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants and increase the per-country limitation for family-sponsored immigrants (see S. 1983), [31JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [7MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [26MR]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [19JY]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [16JY]
———recognize attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients (see S. 891), [19AP]
———repeal outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps (see S. 829), [23JA]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [7MY]
SBA: establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [28NO]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [12DE]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [13FE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [24MY]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [11SE]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [13SE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5JN]
Treaties and agreements: report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [19SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Voting: secure the Federal voting rights of certain qualified ex-offenders who have served their sentences (see S. 2017), [10MY]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [10MY]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [19MR]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership: reauthorize in Iowa (see S. 2133), [27FE]
Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]
Budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3566), [19SE]
Economy: rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (see S. 2516), [7MY] (see S. 3187), [15MY]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Tariff: captan (see S. 2512), [7MY]
———drive-axles (see S. 2510), [7MY]
———forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods (see S. 2511), [7MY]
———fosamine (see S. 2513), [7MY]
———o-toluidine (see S. 2514), [7MY]
———programmable controllers (see S. 2509), [7MY]
Taxation: increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]

FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
Motions
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), [24MY]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
FDA Safety and Innovation Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 2516), [7MY]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Taking Essential Steps for Testing (TEST) Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3391), [19SE]

HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM AND HYPOXIA RESEARCH AND CONTROL ACT
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]

HARRIET TUBMAN NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARKS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

HARRINGTON, ME
Bills and resolutions
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]

HATCH, ORRIN G. ***(a Senator from Utah)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [13JN]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests (see S. 102), [23JY]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
———increase penalties for stealing, transporting, and storing stolen prescription drugs (see S. 1002), [8MR]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [25JY]
Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Drugs: more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [10MY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [10JY]
FDA: expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign policy: expand sanctions imposed on Iran, North Korea, and Syria (see S. 1048), [5MR]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [10SE]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [12JY]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [27NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16MY]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [17MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [22MY]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [10SE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [14MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [11JN]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [29FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [15MY]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life,

homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Syria: oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest: convey a small parcel of land to Brigham Young University (see S. 2471), [26AP]
Utah: clarify authority under legislation defining the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (see S. 3305), [18JN]

HATCH ACT *see* **POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS**

HATCH ACT MODERNIZATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]

HAVEL, VACLAV
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]

HAWAII
Bills and resolutions
Capitol Building and Grounds: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Daniel K. Inouye (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Reports filed
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]

HAWAIIANS *see* **NATIVE AMERICANS**

HAYWARD, SD
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES *related term(s)* **RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]
Bankruptcy: require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
Government regulations: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Yucca Mountain, NV: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Reports filed
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]

HEALTH *related term(s)* **DISEASES; PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE**
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
American Podiatric Medical Association: anniversary (see S. Res. 528), [24JY]
Armed Forces: provide behavioral health readiness services to members of Reserve components based on need (see S. 2466), [26AP]
———require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]
Bankruptcy: require disclosure by certain trusts of quarterly reports that contain detailed information on receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos and filing of such reports (see S. 3076), [10MY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]
Controlled Substances Act: place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
———prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Credit: exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
Crime: provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
———limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of Education: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Dept. of HHS: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
———develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]

———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
———provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
———reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration (see S. 3084), [10MY]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Drugs: more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Employment: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [15FE]
———ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
———require issuers of long-term care insurance to establish third party review processes for disputed claims (see S. 3230), [23MY]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
———provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
———establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
———include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
———issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]

Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Celiac Disease Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Men's Health Week: observance (see S. Res. 501), [20JN]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Navy Dental Corps: anniversary (see S. Res. 534), [31JY] (see S. Res. 544), [2AU]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Oral health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Privacy: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
———provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
———provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
Technology: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
———exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
———improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [24MY]
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]

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Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia—Comparison of International Approaches: Committee on Aging (Senate, Special) (S. Rept. 112–254), [19DE]
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389), [13SE]
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Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
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Great Ape Protection and Cost Savings Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
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Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
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Wildlife Disease Emergency Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

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Bills and resolutions

Consumers: protect against abusive debt collectors by regulating medical debt collection practices, prohibit collectors from seeking arrest warrants to collect debts, and provide information about the debt (see S. 3350), [27JN]

David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
———reorganize the Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration (see S. 3084), [10MY]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
Education: reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
———protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Taxation: provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]

HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS *related term(s)* **PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE**
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
American Podiatric Medical Association: anniversary (see S. Res. 528), [24JY]
Armed Forces: require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of Education: make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Dept. of HHS: define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
Education: reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
———improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
———protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
Navy Dental Corps: anniversary (see S. Res. 534), [31JY] (see S. Res. 544), [2AU]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]

HEALTHY FORESTS RESTORATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
Reports filed
Arizona Wallow Fire Recovery and Monitoring Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1344) (S. Rept. 112–126), [23JA]
HELIUM STEWARDSHIP ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2374), [26AP]
HELLENIC REPUBLIC *see* **GREECE**
HELLER, DEAN ***(a Senator from Nevada)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [27MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [26AP]
Armed Forces: modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [21JN]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [27JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [17AP]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [29FE]
Dept. of Defense: provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [6JN]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [17AP]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [7FE]
———reauthorize support for graduate medical education programs in children's hospitals (see S. 958), [16AP]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [11JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [7JN]
———ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [13JN]
———establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that Armed Forces members exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes in Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure (see S. 1798), [24JA]
———improve provision of rehabilitative services for veterans with traumatic brain injury (see S. 957), [14MY]
———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [22MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [22MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [16JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [29MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [16MY]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Health: reduce health care and insurance costs through medical malpractice tort reform (see S. 1099), [6FE]
———repeal mandate that individuals purchase health insurance (see S. 19), [19JY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [31JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [8MY]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [23AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26MR]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 1507), [21MY] (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Lake Tahoe: provide for environmental restoration and forest management activities in surrounding basin (see S. 432), [24JY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [27MR]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [2AU]
———modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers (see S. 1173), [17AP]
———repeal outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps (see S. 829), [25AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Olympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [19SE]
OSHA: authorize and expand the Voluntary Protection Programs to include more small businesses (see S. 807), [6FE]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [19SE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal prohibition on using medical savings account funds to purchase over-the-counter medications (see S. 1368), [17AP]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Social Security: allow choice of benefit payment method relative to computation rule application to workers attaining age 65 between 1982 and 1992 (see S. 118), [24AP]
———repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [16AP]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [17AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [13JN]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [21JN]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [18JY]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———modify depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems (see S. 1575), [18AP]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [17AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]

———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide collegiate housing and infrastructure grants (see S. 705), [25AP]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [19DE]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [19SE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [13MR]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [16AP] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [8MY]
U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child: oppose ratification based on incompatibility with the U.S. Constitution, sovereignty, and the independence of families (see S. Res. 99), [6FE]
Veterans: expand eligibility for concurrent receipt of military retired pay or combat-related compensation with service-connected disability benefits and eliminate phase-in period for such benefits (see S. 344), [5MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [20MR]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [17AP]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [17AP]
———award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [19JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
Credit: require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Dept. of Defense: establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]

HELMS, JESSE *(a former Senator from North Carolina)*
Bills and resolutions relative to
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]

HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

HELPING SCHOOLS PROTECT OUR CHILDREN ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3173), [14MY]

HERBICIDES
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: captan (see S. 2771), [7MY]
———cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2726), [7MY]
———fenoxaprop-p-ethyl, pyrasulfotole, bromoxynil octanoate, bromoxynil heptanoate, and mefenpyr-diethyl mixtures (see S. 3012, 3022), [8MY]
———fosamine (see S. 2513), [7MY]
———glufosinate-ammonium (GA) (see S. 2356), [25AP]
———linuron (see S. 3034), [9MY]
———mesotrione (see S. 2525), [7MY]
———oryzalin (see S. 2782), [7MY]
———oxadiazon (see S. 2354), [25AP]
———paraquat and emetic mixtures (see S. 2905), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride (see S. 2857), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride and inerts (see S. 2858), [8MY]
———pinoxaden (see S. 2633), [7MY]
———pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2616), [7MY]
———s-metolachlor (see S. 2519), [7MY]
———triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
———trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]

HERMOSA CREEK WATERSHED PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3400), [18JY]

HEROISM
Appointments
Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board, [24JY], [20SE]
State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
Prayers
Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]

HETTICH, MIKE
Appointments
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HICKMAN, GEORGE
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]

HIGH SEAS DRIFTNET FISHING MORATORIUM PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]

HIGHER EDUCATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [23JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [24AP] (see S. 2366), [25AP] (see S. 2834), [7MY]
———protect college students from deceptive practices and high-pressure sales by institutions, provide a waiting period for enrollment decisions, and standardize and elevate disclosures (see S. 3550), [13SE]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———reset interest rates for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 3266), [6JN]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
———provide for loan forgiveness for early childhood educators (see S. 2181), [8MR]
Cloture motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Motions
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]

HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]

———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [18AP]

HIGHWAY INVESTMENT, JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ACT

Bills and resolutions

Enact (see S. 2132), [27FE]

Reports filed

Provisions: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]

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HINDREX, WINFORD L.

Prayers

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HISPANIC AMERICANS

Bills and resolutions

Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]

Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]

Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]

Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]

National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]

National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]

National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Bills and resolutions

Observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]

HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND SITES

Bills and resolutions

Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]

———anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]

Corps of Engineers: preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]

Dept. of the Interior: conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA (see S. 3247), [24MY]

Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]

Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]

Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]

Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]

National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

———extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]

New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]

Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]

Taxation: provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]

Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]

Reports filed

First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]

Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]

National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]

R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]

———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]

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Reading of George Washington's farewell address, [14FE]

Bills and resolutions

Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]

American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]

Arizona: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 373), [14FE]

Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]

Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]

Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]

Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]

Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]

———anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]

Columbus, OH: anniversary (see S. Res. 375), [14FE]

Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]

Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]

Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]

Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]

Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]

Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]

Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]

Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]

Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]

Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]

International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]

Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]

Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]

Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]

———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]

National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]

National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

———extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]

National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]

New Mexico: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 585), [21SE]

New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]

Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]

Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]

Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]

Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]

San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]

Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [19AP]

Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]

Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]

War: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]

War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]

World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]

Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]

Prayers

Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]

Reports filed

Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]

Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]

Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

Memorial Establishment on Federal Land in the District of Columbia To Honor Free African Americans and Slaves Who Fought During the American Revolution: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 883) (S. Rept. 112–118), [23JA]

National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields

Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

HOEVEN, JOHN ***(a Senator from North Dakota)***
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Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in government activities (see S. 165), [26JA]
———prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect lives of born and unborn persons (see S. 91), [19AP]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [14MY]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [29MR]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [29JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [13JN]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [29JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
———prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid State laws requiring parental notification of abortions (see S. 1241), [23JA]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of Energy: establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [11JN]
———delay implementation of rules on maximum achievable control technology and cross-State air pollution produced by powerplants (see S. 1833), [18AP]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [11JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [27MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [9FE]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [17AP]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Health: repeal mandate that individuals purchase health insurance (see S. 19), [31JY]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [29JN]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [10MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [29MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [13FE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [31JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Motor vehicles: exempt certain class A driver's license holders in the agriculture industry from requirement to obtain a hazardous material endorsement when operating certain service vehicles (see S. 1288), [15MY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 181), [19SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [25JN]
———provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units (see S. 1843), [26JN]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]
OSHA: authorize and expand the Voluntary Protection Programs to include more small businesses (see S. 807), [27FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [21JN]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [21DE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [18AP]
Public lands: improve management of grazing leases and permits (see S. 1129), [21MR]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13SE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [19AP]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
Syria: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [11SE]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [10SE]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [5DE]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [18JN]

———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [20JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dept. of the Interior: modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
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Dept. of HHS: ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———improve the Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program (see S. 3348), [27JN]
Taxation: qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]
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HOMESTEAD, PA
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Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
HOMOSEXUALITY
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
Senior citizens: provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [19SE]
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Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
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Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
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Dept. of Justice: prohibit administration or enforcement of certain accessibility regulations for the disabled relative to pools at public accommodations or provided by public entities (see S. 2186), [12MR] (see S. 2191), [14MR]
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Appropriations: establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
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———end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
———preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
———require each bill enacted be limited to only one subject (see S. 3359), [28JN]
Dept. of Defense: reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Leahy, Senator: notify the House of Representatives of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
Members of Congress: eliminate automatic salary adjustments (see S. 2210), [20MR]
———repeal authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House (see S. 3528), [11SE]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
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Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with re-

spect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 2909), [8MY]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
———establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
———reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
———improve the Multifamily Transitional Housing Loan Program (see S. 3348), [27JN]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]
Federal aid programs: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
———establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
———enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
Taxation: exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]

Motions

Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]

Reports filed

Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]

HOUSING ACT

Bills and resolutions

Rural areas: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]

HOUSTON, TX

Bills and resolutions

Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]

HUMAN RIGHTS *related term(s)* **CIVIL LIBERTIES; CIVIL RIGHTS; GENOCIDE**

Bills and resolutions

Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Contracts: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]

———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
———end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Vietnam: condemn human rights violations (see S. Res. 541), [2AU]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]

Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma: President Obama, [11JY]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Burma: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Syria: President Obama, [9MY]

Motions
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]

Reports filed
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act Import Restrictions Renewal Approval: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
Tribute to Laura Pollán: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]

HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE *see* **FOREIGN AID**

HUNGER
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Senior citizens: provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]

HUNTING AND TRAPPING
Bills and resolutions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]

Cloture motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]

Motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]

HURRICANES *related term(s)* **DISASTERS**
Bills and resolutions
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Disasters: provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
Hurricane Sandy: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Taxation: increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]

Reports filed
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]

HUTCHINSON, NATE
Bills and resolutions
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

HUTCHISON, KAY BAILEY ***(a Senator from Texas)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]

Attendance
Present, [23JA]

Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [7MY]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [10SE]
———ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [21SE]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [28JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [13JN]

Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [24JY]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [19AP]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
———limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [28JN]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [17MY]
———reduce preterm labor, delivery, and risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity (see S. 1440), [7MR]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [13JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: repeal requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan to offset the receipt of veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation (see S. 260), [13NO]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [28JN]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [10JY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [19AP]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [19JN]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [12SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [23JA]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [8MY]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [10SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [12JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [22MY]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [7MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [5DE]
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National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [14FE]
———repeal Community Living Assistance Services and Supports (CLASS) program (see S. 720), [1FE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [10MY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [28DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13SE]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [2AU]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [12MR]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [29JN]
———allow tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable contributions (see S. 557), [20MR]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [25JY]
———limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [13SE]

———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide for taxpayers making donations with their income tax returns to the Federal Government to pay down the public debt (see S. 1676), [9FE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [11SE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [27JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [16JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: expand eligibility for concurrent receipt of military retired pay or combat-related compensation with service-connected disability benefits and eliminate phase-in period for such benefits (see S. 344), [29JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [29MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [22MR]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [23JA]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]
Rice University: anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]
Social Security: extend solvency of the trust funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Bills and resolutions relative to
Taxation: rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]

HYDROELECTRIC POWER
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
FERC: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
Reports filed
Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]

IDAHO
Reports filed
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]

IMMIGRATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY; REFUGEES**
Bills and resolutions
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Children and youth: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Crime: make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Employment: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Law enforcement: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National objectives: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
Taxation: provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 285), [19JY]

IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
———improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]

IMPROPER PAYMENTS ELIMINATION AND RECOVERY IMPROVEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1409) (S. Rept. 112–181), [12JY]

INCOME *related term(s)* **ECONOMY; PENSIONS; SECURITIES; SOCIAL SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
———improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Contracts: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Dept. of the Interior: provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on

deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Education: support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
———authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts (see S. 3175), [14MY]
———extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
———reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Medicare: eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
Members of Congress: eliminate automatic salary adjustments (see S. 2210), [20MR]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
NLRB: permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]
Social Security: extend solvency of the trust funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
———improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
———close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]
———exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
———exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
———rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Messages
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
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Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), [27MR]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property

Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]

INCREASING AMERICAN JOBS THROUGH GREATER EXPORTS TO AFRICA ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2215), [21MR]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES *related term(s)* **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS**
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Budget: setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [26AP]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
———limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
———prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
———promote high-quality, cost-efficient, and effective administrative support services to agencies overseas (see S. 3676), [12DE]
———reduce Federal advertising budgets (see S. 3540), [13SE]
———reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
———report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
———require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
———require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
———strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Foreign trade: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
———repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Government: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
———require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
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Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [19SE], [20SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
GAO Mandates Revision Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 3315) (S. Rept. 112–219), [19SE]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]

INDEPENDENT AGENCY REGULATORY ANALYSIS ACT
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Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]

INDIAN AMERICANS
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Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]

INDIAN LAW AND ORDER COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Report: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]

INDIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT REFORM ACT
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Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]

INDIAN REORGANIZATION ACT
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]

INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Reports filed
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389), [13SE]
———Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389) (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]

INDIAN TRIBAL ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT
Reports filed
Amend: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]

INDIAN TRIBES OF VIRGINIA FEDERAL RECOGNITION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 379) (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]

INDONESIA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Immigration: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [15MY]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
———require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
Education: support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Government: increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
———improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
———prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
———require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
SBA: establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Motions
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Reports filed
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410) (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]

INHOFE, JAMES M. ***(a Senator from Oklahoma)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25JN]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]

———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [28FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Children and youth: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [7FE]
Dept. of Justice: limit awarding of fees and lawsuits, reform reimbursement eligibility, and compile, and make publicly available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act (see S. 1061), [2AU]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [19SE]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Egypt: recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
EPA: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [11JY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [10SE]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
———recognize Jerusalem as capital and support relocation of U.S. Embassy (see S. 1622), [24AP]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [16JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Celiac Disease Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [19JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [5JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [13NO]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [21SE]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [12SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [19SE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [14MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [17JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [21SE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [13FE]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]

———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [19JY]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Medicare: include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
Tariff: fishing reels (see S. 3195), [16MY]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]

INNOVATION DESIGN PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]

INOUYE, DANIEL K. ***(a Senator from Hawaii)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [24JY]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [29JN]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Animals: prohibit conducting of invasive research on great apes (see S. 810), [26JA]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [10MY]
Bureau of Prisons: establish an Oleoresin Capsicum Spray Pilot Program (see S. 1645), [26JA]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [29MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [13NO]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [10MY]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [7MY]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [2AU]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19SE]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [5JN]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [25JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
Diseases: issue semipostal stamp to support Alzheimer's disease research (see S. Res. 176), [26JA]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [21JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [21SE]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [21SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [2AU]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [30JA]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [27FE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [9MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [2AU]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [19SE]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: extend Federal recognition to Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians (see S. 546), [17FE]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [19SE]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [14NO]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [25AP] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [23JY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Smithsonian Institution: establish the Smithsonian American Latino Museum (see S. 1868), [24JA]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [5JN]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [10MY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [5JN]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [16MY]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [15MY]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [27NO]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [17JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [16FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [14MY]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
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Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
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Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
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Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
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Bills and resolutions relative to
Capitol Building and Grounds: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Daniel K. Inouye (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
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Bills and resolutions
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
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———flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY] (see S. 3132, 3162), [10MY]
———imidacloprid (see S. 2385), [26AP] (see S. 3136), [10MY]
———imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its b-cyfluthrin isomer mixtures (see S. 2384), [26AP]
———imidacloprid and thiodicarb mixtures (see S. 2381), [26AP]
———imidacloprid with application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2383), [26AP]
———Lambda-Cy (see S. 2766), [7MY]
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———tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
———tralopyril (see S. 2920), [8MY]

INSECTS
Bills and resolutions
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
Tariff: portable personal area mosquito repellents (see S. 2531), [7MY]
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Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
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Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]

INSURANCE *related term(s)* **HEALTH**
Bills and resolutions
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Claims: require issuers of long-term care insurance to establish third party review processes for disputed claims (see S. 3230), [23MY]
Crime: provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish the Revenue Loss Assistance Program, improve crop insurance, and extend livestock disaster, tree assistance, and commodity programs (see S. 2261), [29MR]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of HHS: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
———waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
———improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
———preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
———establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
———provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
Motor vehicles: repeal law requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting (see S. 3656), [4DE]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]

National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
———provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Social Security: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions (see S. 2048), [31JA]
———expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans (see S. 3700), [20DE]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
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FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
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D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
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INTELLIGENCE SERVICES
Bills and resolutions
Appropriations: authorizing (see S. 3454), [30JY]
———specifically authorize certain funds for intelligence or intelligence-related activity (see S. 3314), [19JN]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [12JN]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Reports filed
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Intelligence Services Appropriations: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3454) (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]

INTERAGENCY GROUP ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS
Bills and resolutions
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]

INTERAGENCY PERSONNEL ROTATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION UNIVERSAL ACCREDITATION ACT
Reports filed
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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
Colleges and universities: require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Dept. of Justice: provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Employment: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Government regulations: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

INTERNATIONAL AIDS SOCIETY
Bills and resolutions
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]

INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY
Bills and resolutions
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION
Bills and resolutions
Water: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Business and industry: prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Messages
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Iran: President Obama, [31JY]
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INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES STEWARDSHIP AND ENFORCEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]

INTERNATIONAL LAW *related term(s)* **TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS**
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information

concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
———impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Messages
Convention on the Law Applicable to Certain Rights in Respect of Securities Held With an Intermediary: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations: President Obama, [18JY]
Protocol Amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters: President Obama, [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND *related term(s)* **WORLD BANK GROUP**
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]

INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE
Bills and resolutions
Munich Olympics: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives in 1972 (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]

INTERNATIONAL PROTECTING GIRLS BY PREVENTING CHILD MARRIAGE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS *related term(s)* **CONFERENCES; FOREIGN POLICY**
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [26MR]
Bills and resolutions
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Children and youth: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Egypt: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
———strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
———discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [19AP]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Peace Corps Mission: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]
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Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Yemen: President Obama, [16MY]
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
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Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]
Iran: strengthen sanctions to compel Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities (H.R. 1905), [1AU]
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Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Com-

mittee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
Pirate Fishing Elimination Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

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Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
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Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
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Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]

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U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
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U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

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Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]

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Crime: prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
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Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
Reports filed
Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
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Bills and resolutions
Condominiums: clarify applicability (see S. 3499), [2AU]

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Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Armed Forces: improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Credit: establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Dept. of Agriculture: reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
Federal employees: authorize certain employees to be automatically enrolled to increase contributions to Thrift Savings Plan accounts (see S. 3175), [14MY]
———require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
FHA: establish a fund that allows responsible homeowners to refinance mortgages (see S. 3047), [9MY]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [9MY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
Privacy: prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
SBA: enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program (see S. 3253), [24MY]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
———require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
———provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]

Small Business Investment Act: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
———remove sunset date for amendments (see S. 2187), [12MR]
Taxation: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
———extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
———provide expensing for small businesses (see S. 2284), [16AP]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
———rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
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Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
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Foreign policy: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Foreign trade: strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Nadarkhani, Youcef: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
Nuclear weapons: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
Petroleum: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
U.N.: call on to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
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Dept. of Defense: provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
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National Emergency Relative to the Stabilization of Iraq: President Obama, [21MY]

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Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes

of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Tariff: ferroniobium (see S. 2380), [26AP] (see S. 2673), [7MY]
———vacuum-grade ferroniobium (see S. 2667), [7MY]
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Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
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Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]

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Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [15MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [10JY]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [27MR]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [19AP]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [28NO]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [24MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
———require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [19SE]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [27JN]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [26JN]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
English language: reaffirm as official language of U.S., establish uniform English language rule for naturalization, and avoid misconstructions of English language texts of U.S. laws (see S. 503), [10SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
FDA: help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [17FE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [26JY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [24MY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [10SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [16AP]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [24MY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [11JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
———discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [1FE]
———repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [8MY]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13SE]

———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [25JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [27NO]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [19JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [7MY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [21JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [10SE]
———exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [2AU]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [30JY]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [30JY]
———reduce tax on beer (see S. 1111), [10MY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [17MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [31JY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [7JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
———issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [13JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [23AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [26MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of the Interior: conduct a special resource study of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA (see S. 3247), [24MY]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]

ISRAEL, STATE OF
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Egypt: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Foreign policy: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
Middle East: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Weapons: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
Reports filed
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]

ITALIAN AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]

ITALY, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Foreign policy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]

IUKA, MS
Reports filed
Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]
Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office, Iuka, MS: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2213), [25AP]

JACKSON, ROBERT H.
Bills and resolutions
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Reports filed
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2326), [27DE]

JACKSONVILLE, FL
Bills and resolutions
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

JAN KARSKI DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]

JAPAN
Appointments
Japan-U.S. Interparliamentary Group, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]

JAPANESE AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

JAPAN-U.S. INTERPARLIAMENTARY GROUP
Appointments
Vice Chairman, [24AP]

JASSER, M. ZUHDI
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [22MR]

JEWS
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Reports filed
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]

JOBS AND GROWTH TAX RELIEF RECONCILIATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
Cloture motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
Motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]

JOBS ORIGINATED THROUGH LAUNCHING TRAVEL (JOLT) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2233), [26MR]

JOHANNS, MIKE *(a Senator from Nebraska)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [15MR]

Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [26MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [26JY]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [29FE]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [6FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [20SE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [26JY] (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JY]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [23JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [24MY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [1AU]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [25JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: establish Special Envoy To Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia (see S. 1245), [29JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
Dept. of Transportation: clarify congressional intent of agricultural hours-of-service regulations relative to the delivery of agricultural commodities and farm supplies (see S. 1915), [8MR]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [26JY]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [18JN]
———prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [17MY]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [22MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [29JN]
Federal employees: make persons having seriously delinquent tax debts ineligible for Federal employment (see S. 376), [9FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [17JY]
———enhance ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, and increase individual savings (see S. 1600), [5JN]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [26MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [29MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [6JN]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [13MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [13MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [24MY]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [23JA]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [10MY]
Mental health: strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (see S. 2367), [14MY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [15NO]
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National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Veterans Support Network: establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), (see S. 3221), [6JN]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [12JN]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [29MR]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [13NO]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [7MR]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [16AP]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [26MR]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [6JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 262), [6JN]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [29MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [29JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [18AP]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Veterans: require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [26AP]

Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Air Force Weather: anniversary (see S. Res. 545), [2AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Dept. of Energy: prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
EPA: establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

JOHNSON, RON ***(a Senator from Wisconsin)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [16MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
China: recognize anniversary of persecution of Falun Gong, call for an end to continued persecution, release detained practitioners, and support Tuidang movement renouncing ties to the Communist Party (see S. Res. 232), [23JA]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [30JA]
Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Government: require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [6FE]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [20JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [25AP]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
———mint coins in recognition and celebration, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 2036), [26JN]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [18JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public debt: establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 1751), [7MY] (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [24MY]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [7FE]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [29FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [26MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office, Waterford, WI: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [20JN]

JOHNSON, TIM ***(a Senator from South Dakota)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [27MR]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY]
———make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [7MY]
———authorize the award of a Cold War service medal to members who served honorably during the Cold War era (see S. 402), [9FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [26JN]

———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [26MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
Congress: prohibit earmarks, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 1930), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [24JY]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [16AP]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [14MR]
———improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [11JN]
———make grants to support early college high schools and other dual enrollment programs (see S. 154), [15NO]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
———strengthen student achievement and graduation rates, and prepare young people for college, careers, and citizenship through innovative partnerships (see S. 426), [27NO]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [30JA]
———establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that Armed Forces members exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes in Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure (see S. 1798), [11SE]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [25JN]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [24MY]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [6FE]
Families and domestic relations: strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children (see S. 941), [26JN]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [14MY]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [14MY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [17MY]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [20SE]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [1AU]
———support and encourage the health and well-being of elementary and secondary school students by enhancing physical and health education (see S. 392), [27NO]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [21SE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [11JN]
Land and Water Conservation Fund: provide consistent and reliable authority and funding to maximize effectiveness for future generations (see S. 1265), [31JA]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [26JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [1AU]
Medicare: provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [21JN]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
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National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [29MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [26JN]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [31JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [7MR]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [18JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [26AP]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [23MY]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [29JN]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [23MY]
———provide recruitment and retention incentives for volunteer emergency service workers (see S. 1911), [24JA]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5JN]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [6FE]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of HHS: reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Iran: strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]

McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
Motions
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [13DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]

JONES, RYAN P.
Bills and resolutions
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]

JUMPSTART FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, INC.
Bills and resolutions
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]

JUMPSTART OUR BUSINESS STARTUPS ACT
Cloture motions
Enact (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Motions
Enact (H.R. 3606), [15MR]

JUMPSTART'S READ FOR THE RECORD DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]

JUNEAU, AK
Bills and resolutions
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Reports filed
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]

JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
Observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]

JUSTICE FOR ALL ACT
Reports filed
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]

KANSAS
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]

KANSAS CITY, MO
Bills and resolutions
Major League Baseball: recognize Kansas City, MO, as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]

KANTISHNA HILLS RENEWABLE ENERGY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]

KARSKI, JAN
Bills and resolutions
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]

KEEPING POLITICS OUT OF FEDERAL CONTRACTING ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1100), [19DE]

KENTUCKY
Bills and resolutions
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]

KERRY, JOHN F. ***(a Senator from Massachusetts)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Agriculture: promote local and regional farm and food systems (see S. 1773), [19AP]
———provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [7MY]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [26JN]
———lift statutory bans on denying servicewomen coverage for abortions in cases of rape or incest and preventing use of private funds for abortions at U.S. military facilities (see S. 1214), [28FE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [9JY]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [18AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24JY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [6JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [11JN]
———provide penalties for transporting minors in foreign commerce for the purposes of female genital mutilation (see S. 1919), [19AP]
Dept. of Agriculture: expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers (see S. 1850), [19AP]
Dept. of Education: require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [24JY]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [13MR]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [1FE]
Dept. of HUD: provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Labor: minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [7MY]
———provide certain disabled veterans beneficiary travel program coverage for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation (see S. 1755), [30JY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [13MR]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [20SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]

Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472), [10SE]
FDA: provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [9FE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17JY] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [2AU]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: provide for equal access to COBRA continuation health coverage (see S. 563), [12SE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [21SE]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [30JY]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [2AU]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [31JY]
Monuments and memorials: establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor free African Americans and slaves who fought during the American Revolution (see S. 883), [26NO]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [30JY]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN]
SBA: strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [12MR]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [21SE]
———extend and increase exclusion for benefits provided to volunteer firefighters and emergency medical responders (see S. 933), [23JY]
———extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [6JN]
———provide for an investment credit relative to the production of electricity from offshore wind (see S. 1397), [16AP]
———provide recruitment and retention incentives for volunteer emergency service workers (see S. 1911), [23JY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Transportation: prohibit transportation of horses in vehicles containing 2 or more levels stacked on top of one another (see S. 1281), [21SE]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [11JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18JN]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [11JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [12MR]
———award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [14FE]
———recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Animals: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
———issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
———provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of Education: provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
Dept. of HHS: define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
———require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Egypt: honor rule of law and return Noor and Ramsay Bower to the U.S. (see S. Res. 477), [5JN]
———recognize importance of relationship with the U.S., urge protection of civil liberties, and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists (see S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Medicare: provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
OPIC: reauthorize programs (see S. 3627), [14NO]

SBA: establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Tariff: acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide (see S. 2821), [7MY]
———basic blue 7 (see S. 2824), [7MY]
———basic red 1 (see S. 2826), [7MY]
———basic red 1—1 (see S. 2825), [7MY]
———basic violet 1 (see S. 2827), [7MY]
———basketballs made of leather (see S. 2797), [7MY]
———basketballs made of other than leather or rubber (see S. 2798), [7MY]
———basketballs made of rubber (see S. 2799), [7MY]
———benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt (see S. 2802), [7MY]
———butanamide, N-(2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1 H-benzimidazol-5-yl)-2-[2-(2-methoxyphenyl) diazenyl]-3-oxo (see S. 2803), [7MY]
———cellular plastic sheets for micron-retention filters (see S. 2816), [7MY]
———cellular plastic sheets for nano-retention filters (see S. 2820), [7MY]
———electrical transformers (see S. 2805), [7MY]
———fairway wood heads (see S. 2809), [7MY]
———fasteners, in clips suitable for use in a mechanical attaching device (see S. 2806), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2828), [7MY]
———5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2829), [7MY]
———golf club driver heads (see S. 2808), [7MY]
———golf club iron heads (see S. 2810), [7MY]
———golf wedge club heads (see S. 2811), [7MY]
———hand tools designed for securing plastic fasteners (see S. 2807), [7MY]
———high-performance loudspeakers (see S. 2804), [7MY]
———hybrid golf club heads (see S. 2812), [7MY]
———p-aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide) (see S. 2822), [7MY]
———pigment red 187 (see S. 2831), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 180 (see S. 2801), [7MY]
———pigment yellow 181 (see S. 2832), [7MY]
———plastic fittings composed of perfluoroalkoxy (PFA) resin (see S. 2817), [7MY]
———plastic mesh for filters (see S. 2818), [7MY]
———plastic mesh for filters (high flow) (see S. 2819), [7MY]
———synthetic filament yarns (see S. 2814), [7MY]
———3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-) (see S. 2830), [7MY]
———3-amino-4-methylbenzamide (see S. 2823), [7MY]
———untwisted filament yarns (see S. 2815), [7MY]
———volleyballs (see S. 2800), [7MY]
———yttrium oxides (see S. 2813), [7MY]
Taxation: expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
White, Kevin H.: tribute (see S. Res. 365), [1FE]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]
Reports filed
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
Commend Rotary International Efforts To Prevent and Eradicate Polio: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]
Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2215) (S. Rept. 112–231), [13NO]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
International Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 414) (S. Rept. 112–170), [23MY]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Promote Peace and Stability in Sudan: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 397), [28MR]
Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]
Recognize Importance of Relationship of Egypt With U.S., Urge Protection of Civil Liberties, and Cease Intimidation and Prosecution of Civil Society Workers and Democracy Activists: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 372), [14FE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
Tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service Professionals Who Represent the U.S. Abroad: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 401), [26AP]
Tribute to Laura Pollán: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

KETCHIKAN, AK
Reports filed
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]

KEY, FRANCIS SCOTT
Bills and resolutions
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism

of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]

KIRK, MARK ***(a Senator from Illinois)***
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [20SE]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
———require a criminal background check for a child care staff member of any child care provider in a State that receives funds from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 581), [19JY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [19JY]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [20SE]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FEMA: require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [31JY] (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [31JY]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [5JN]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [10MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [14MR]
———provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units (see S. 1843), [23JY]
Northwestern University: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal prohibition on using medical savings account funds to purchase over-the-counter medications (see S. 1368), [23JY]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [18JN]
Taxation: repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Terrorism: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [20SE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [11JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [5JN]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [23AP]

KITTERY, ME
Bills and resolutions
Portsmouth Naval Shipyard: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]

KLING, WILLIAM
Bills and resolutions
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]

KLOBUCHAR, AMY ***(a Senator from Minnesota)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [22MR]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [16JY]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [25JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [18JN]

Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [14JN]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [31JY]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [12JY]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Children and youth: revise and extend programs to support planning, implementation, and evaluation of organized activities involving statewide youth suicide early intervention and prevention strategies (see S. 740), [13FE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [11SE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Commodity Exchange Act: prevent excessive speculation with respect to commodity markets and energy contracts (see S. 1598), [14MR]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [19SE]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [27FE]
Credit: establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers (see S. 967), [13FE]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [2AU]
———establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [26JN]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Education: establish an awards program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education (see S. 547), [17MY]
———establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [14JN]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [16AP]
———require payment of certain Impact Aid Program payments to eligible local educational agencies within 3 years, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 595), [17MY]
Dept. of HHS: establish a Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee (see S. 1381), [19JY]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [8MY]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [11JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [31JA]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: establish a permanent background check system for youth-serving organization volunteers (see S. 645), [10SE]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [29MR]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [20SE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [31JY]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [19SE]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [27MR]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [27MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [30JA]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [11SE] (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Firearms: facilitate establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States (see S. 1249), [14FE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [4DE]
———ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [17AP]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [16AP]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [28FE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [21SE]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [1FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [23AP]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [15MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [26JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25JN]
———ensure more timely access to home health services for beneficiaries (see S. 227), [6MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [22MY]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [19SE]
———strengthen and protect hospice programs (see S. 722), [26AP]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [21JN]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: permit access by individuals with covered pensions to certain disability benefits without penalty (see S. 3447), [26JY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Power resources: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]

Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program: improve (see S. 1696), [27MR]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [21JN]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [2AU]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [14JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [20SE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [12MR]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [11JY]
———broaden special rules for certain governmental health reimbursement arrangements to include plans established by political subdivisions (see S. 1366), [21SE]
———exempt certain shipping from harbor maintenance tax (see S. 1964), [24JA]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [27JN]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [9MY]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [17AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [23MY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [18JY]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [10SE]
Telephones: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills (see S. 3291), [11JY]
Transportation Security Administration: allow transportation worker identification credentials (TWIC) applicants to remotely apply for issuance, renewal, or activation (see S. 1966), [11SE]
———require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [16AP]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [30NO]
Veterans: require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [18JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [17MY]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [28FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]
Corps of Engineers: manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Crime: prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
Dept. of Defense: modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [16FE]
Dept. of Energy: establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
Insurance: repeal law requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting (see S. 3656), [4DE]
———require issuers of long-term care insurance to establish third party review processes for disputed claims (see S. 3230), [23MY]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Tariff: ascorbic acid encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2646), [7MY]
———baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles (see S. 2651), [7MY]
———bamboo baskets (see S. 2954), [8MY]
———bamboo kitchen devices (see S. 2953), [8MY]
———bicycle brakes (see S. 2647), [7MY]
———bicycle speedometer parts (see S. 2652), [7MY]
———bicycle speedometers (see S. 2649), [7MY]
———bicycle wheel rims (see S. 2648), [7MY]
———bisphenol A bis(3-methacryloyloxypropyl) ether substituted dimethacylate (see S. 2639), [7MY]
———catalytic converter mats of glass fibers (see S. 2644), [7MY]
———catalytic converter mounting mats (see S. 2645), [7MY]
———C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes (see S. 2635), [7MY]
———C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers mixtures (see S. 2636), [7MY]
———C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine (see S. 2637), [7MY]
———copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid) (see S. 2638), [7MY]
———coupon holders (see S. 2957), [8MY]
———cyhalothrin mixtures (see S. 2955), [8MY]
———electric wine bottle openers (see S. 2958), [8MY]
———fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride (see S. 2641), [7MY]
———inflatable swimming pools (see S. 2959), [8MY]
———methidathion (see S. 2950), [8MY]
———paclobutrazol (see S. 2951), [8MY]
———perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (see S. 2643), [7MY]
———perfluorocarbon amines (see S. 2634), [7MY]
———plastic children's wallets (see S. 2956), [8MY]
———polycrystalline fibers (see S. 2642), [7MY]
———potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2640), [7MY]
———profenofos (see S. 2960), [8MY]
———wide angle reflectors (see S. 2650), [7MY]
———wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]
Taxation: provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
KNOW BEFORE YOU OWE PRIVATE STUDENT LOAN ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2280), [29MR]
KOBLINKA, BRIAN K.
Bills and resolutions
Nobel Prize: recognition for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]

KOHL, HERB ***(a Senator from Wisconsin)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [16MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office, Waterford, WI: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [1AU]
Congress: prohibit securities and commodities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress and require additional reporting of securities transactions by Members and employees (see S. 1903), [26JA]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [23AP]
Dept. of HHS: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [26JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [29MR]
Economic Espionage Act: clarify scope (see S. 3642), [27NO]
EPA: exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements (see S. 1369), [24JA]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [6FE]
———include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [28FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [12SE]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [9FE]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [26AP]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [10MY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [27NO]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [31JY]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [12JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [25AP] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students (see S. 506), [10MY]
———end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools (see S. 555), [9FE]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [13FE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [1AU]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [13JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [27MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [28JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [14MY]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [13JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [24AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Agriculture, rural development, FDA, and related agencies programs: making appropriations (see S. 2375), [26AP]
Courts: provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Cushing, Alonzo H.: award the Medal of Honor for acts of valor during the Civil War (see S. 2404), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [10JY]
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Tariff: compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (see S. 2530), [7MY]
———portable personal area mosquito repellents (see S. 2531), [7MY]
Taxation: permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
Reports filed
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2375) (S. Rept. 112–163), [26AP]
Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia—Comparison of International Approaches: Committee on Aging (Senate, Special) (S. Rept. 112–254), [19DE]

KONY, JOSEPH
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]

Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]

KOREA, DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma: President Obama, [11JY]
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
Reports filed
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization (H.R. 4240), [18JY]

KOREA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea (see S. 2893), [8MY]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Reports filed
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

KOREAN WAR *related term(s)* **WAR**
Bills and resolutions
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]

KOSOVO, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]

KOTZEBUE, AK
Reports filed
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]

KYL, JON ***(a Senator from Arizona)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [19JN]
Arizona: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 373), [14FE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [11JN]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Education: reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [16MY]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [30JY]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [17JY]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [7MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [7FE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [1MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
Taxation: repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [25AP]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
Dept. of Justice: clarify authorized uses of funds in the Crime Victims Fund (see S. 3704), [20DE]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

LABELING *related term(s)* **PRODUCT SAFETY**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]

LABOR UNIONS *related term(s)* **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**
Bills and resolutions
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Civil liberties: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Crime: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]

NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Cloture motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]

LAKE COUNTY, CO
Reports filed
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]

LAKE TAHOE RESTORATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]

LAKE THUNDERBIRD EFFICIENT USE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

LAKES
Bills and resolutions
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Dept. of the Interior: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to North Carolina (see S. 3687), [17DE]
EPA: reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

LAND, RICHARD D.
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [22MR]

LAND USE
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands (see S. 3374), [11JY]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
Dept. of the Interior: provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
FERC: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]

LAND-GRANT COLLEGE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]

LANDRIEU, MARY L. ***(a Senator from Louisiana)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [24DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [19SE]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [20JN]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [9JY]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [16JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [11SE]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
———provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 797), [17AP] (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24JY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 1984), [16AP]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [5MR]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [21MY]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [13SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———revoke Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac charters, temporarily create a Mortgage Finance Agency to secure mortgages until the transition to privatization, and protect against another housing collapse (see S. 1963), [23JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [26MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [11JN]
Dept. of Education: provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [23MY]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve disability compensation evaluation procedures for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder or mental health conditions related to military sexual trauma (see S. 1391), [19SE]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [13JN]
Disasters: provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [21SE]
Diseases: establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner (see S. 752), [30JY]
———improve diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (see S. 1167), [19JY]

Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
EPA: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [20JN]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [26AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Foreign trade: create U.S. jobs by increasing exports to Africa (see S. 2215), [25JY]
———require foreign manufacturers of products imported into the U.S. to establish registered agents in the U.S. who are authorized to accept service of process against such manufacturers (see S. 1946), [26AP]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [13NO]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [8MY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [22MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [22MY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [19MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [13NO]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [2AU]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [11SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [21SE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public welfare programs: exclude child care from the determination of the limit on assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program (see S. 1435), [24JA]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
———reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Small business: modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
Small Business Investment Act: remove sunset date for amendments (see S. 2187), [12MR]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Taxation: allow rehabilitation expenditures for public school buildings to qualify for rehabilitation credit (see S. 1685), [25JY]
———allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund (see S. 1806), [9JY]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [20SE]
———expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [18JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [12DE]
———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [25AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [5JN]
Veterans: expand eligibility for concurrent receipt of military retired pay or combat-related compensation with service-connected disability benefits and eliminate phase-in period for such benefits (see S. 344), [10JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [1FE]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [19AP]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [19AP]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
Families and domestic relations: establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]

Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [29JN]
Medicare: provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
———enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program (see S. 3253), [24MY]
———establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [26NO]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
———submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small business: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Small Business Investment Act: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
Tariff: DEMBB (see S. 2524), [7MY]
———glyoxylic acid (see S. 2520), [7MY]
———mandipropamid (see S. 2521), [7MY]
———mesotrione (see S. 2525), [7MY]
———1-chloro-2-propanone (see S. 2523), [7MY]
———o-nitrophenol (see S. 2522), [7MY]
———para-methoxyphenol (see S. 2528), [7MY]
———polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone mixtures (see S. 2518), [7MY]
———s-metolachlor (see S. 2519), [7MY]
———tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with a certain percentage of water or methanol (see S. 2517), [7MY]
———triflic acid (see S. 2527), [7MY]
———triflic anhydride (see S. 2526), [7MY]
Taxation: make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
Reports filed
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
LANGUAGES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [10JY]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Reports filed
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization: Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3546), [11DE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
LAS VEGAS, NV
Bills and resolutions
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
LAS VEGAS VALLEY PUBLIC LAND AND TULE SPRINGS FOSSIL BEDS NATIONAL MONUMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3346), [27JN]
LAUTENBERG, FRANK R. ***(a Senator from New Jersey)***
Attendance
Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JY]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [17JY]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [24JA]
———modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [14JN]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [19DE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [29NO]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [19SE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [15NO]
Congress: prohibit securities and commodities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress and require additional reporting of securities transactions by Members and employees (see S. 1903), [26JA]
Credit: establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers (see S. 967), [13FE]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [29NO]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [23AP]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [5JN]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [24JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Economy: provide for teacher and first responder employment stabilization (see S. 1723), [10SE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Employment: incentivize establishment and provide States with temporary financing of short-time compensation programs (see S. 1333), [26JA]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria

in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [27FE]
———improve priority review voucher incentive program for expedited review of treatments for tropical and rare pediatric diseases (see S. 606), [5JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [13NO]
———ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [29MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [11JN]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [24JA]
———recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [18JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [5MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [7JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [20MR]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [1FE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: improve access to, and increase utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits (see S. 1096), [14JN]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [19SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [5DE]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [5DE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [26NO]
Real estate: require certain mortgagees to make loan modifications and establish a grant program for State and local government mediation programs (see S. 489), [13FE]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [15FE]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [14JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [21MY]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [1AU]
———modify depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems (see S. 1575), [9FE]
———provide an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid (see S. 1845), [5MR]
———provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2230), [16AP]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [24JA]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [23JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [31JA]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World Habitat Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 285), [24JA]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [10JY]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [17AP]

Bills and resolutions introduced

American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
Firearms: require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Tariff: dimethyl malonate (see S. 3031), [8MY]
———D-mannose (see S. 3028), [8MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced (see S. 3033), [9MY]
———ion-exchange resins (see S. 3030), [8MY]
———ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether (see S. 3029), [8MY]
———monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil (see S. 3027), [8MY]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 3032), [9MY]

Cloture motions

Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]

Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]

LAVELLE, JOHN D.

Bills and resolutions

Committee on Armed Services (Senate): authorize release of records in the case of posthumous advancement of John D. Lavelle to rank of general on the retired list of the Air Force (see S. Res. 629), [31DE]

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Appointments

Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]

Bills and resolutions

Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Armed Forces: improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
———prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [28FE]
———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [15MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [12JN]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
———place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
———provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
———enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
———prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Dept. of Justice: dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3294), [14JN] (see S. 3490), [2AU]
———establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
———require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [19AP]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
———more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Economic Espionage Act: clarify scope (see S. 3642), [27NO]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]
Federal employees: require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
———require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Privacy: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]

———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
Terrorism: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
Motions
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (S. 1925), [17AP]
Reports filed
Access to Information About Missing Children Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 225), [2AU]
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Dept. of State Rewards Program Update and Technical Corrections Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2318) (S. Rept. 112–232), [13NO]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]

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Appointments
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State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board, [23JY]
Bills and resolutions
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Courts: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
Fugitive Extradition and Apprehension Trust Fund: establish (see S. 2183), [12MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Rural areas: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
Reports filed
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]

LAWRENCE COUNTY, SD
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]

LAWYERS AND ATTORNEYS
Bills and resolutions
China: call to facilitate access to Gao Zhisheng by his family and lawyers and his immediate and conditional release (see S. Res. 554), [13SE]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
———reinstate reporting provision relative to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the U.S. (see S. 2042), [30JA]
———require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [19JY]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]
———authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
———authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]
Reports filed
D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]

LEAD, SD
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE OF WOMEN RELIGIOUS
Bills and resolutions
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]

LEADVILLE, CO
Reports filed
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]

LEADVILLE MINE DRAINAGE TUNNEL ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]

LEAHY, PATRICK J. ***(a Senator from Vermont)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [29MY], [10DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]

Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [24JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [16MY]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Congress: prohibit securities and commodities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress and require additional reporting of securities transactions by Members and employees (see S. 1903), [30JA]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [12SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [9MY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [25AP]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———provide certain disabled veterans beneficiary travel program coverage for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation (see S. 1755), [30JA]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [13FE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [28NO]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [6MR]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [29MR]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [27NO]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [12JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [11SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [23MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [17MY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Tariff: recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [24JA]
Taxation: allow a tax credit for the purchase of hearing aids (see S. 905), [16FE]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [19SE]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [11SE]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [21MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [31JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [11SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [14NO]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [27MR]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: extend and improve the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program (see S. 2126), [17FE]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Economic Espionage Act: clarify scope (see S. 3642), [27NO]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Law enforcement: enhance punishment for identity theft and other violations of data privacy (see S. 2111), [15FE]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]

Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Tariff: ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots (see S. 2302), [19AP]
Whistleblowing: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Bills and resolutions relative to
President pro tempore: election (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
———notify the House of Representatives of election (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
———notify the President of election (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
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Bennet, Senator, [30DE]
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Access to Information About Missing Children Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 225), [2AU]
Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–252), [18DE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Clarify That a Video Tape Service Provider May Obtain a Consumer's Informed, Written Consent on an Ongoing Basis and That Consent May Be Obtained Through the Internet: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471), [29NO]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (H.R. 2471) (S. Rept. 112–258), [20DE]
Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Innovation Design Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3523) (S. Rept. 112–259), [20DE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1945), [13FE]
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]
Strengthening and Focusing Enforcement to Deter Organized Stealing and Enhance Safety (SAFE DOSES) Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]
Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925), [7FE]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925) (S. Rept. 112–153), [12MR]

LEBANON, REPUBLIC OF
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]

LEE, MIKE *(a Senator from Utah)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [9MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [1MR]
Crime: increase penalties for stealing, transporting, and storing stolen prescription drugs (see S. 1002), [28FE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [31JA]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [19SE]
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
EPA: prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [27MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [1AU]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [19SE]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [30JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions

to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26AP]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [18JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public lands: improve management of grazing leases and permits (see S. 1129), [21MR]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [19SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [19JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 1751), [7MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [21MR]
SEC: exempt a certain class of securities from regulations limiting the amount of shares sold to raise capital by small businesses (see S. 1544), [1MR]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Senior citizens: provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [2AU]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
Transportation: empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway and mass transit programs (see S. 1164), [9FE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [19JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19JY]
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest: convey a small parcel of land to Brigham Young University (see S. 2471), [26AP]
Utah: clarify authority under legislation defining the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (see S. 3305), [18JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [27FE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [29MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Economy: spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
Public debt: establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [20JN]

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Reports filed
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

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Bills and resolutions
Nobel Prize: recognition for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]

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Bills and resolutions
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

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Congress: end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
———preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
———require each bill enacted be limited to only one subject (see S. 3359), [28JN]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
GAO: repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Reports filed
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
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LEVIN, CARL ***(a Senator from Michigan)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [20JA], [21FE], [23AP], [31MY]
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [20JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]

Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [12JY]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [27MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [5JN] (see S. 3522), [19SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [15MR]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [26JY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
———require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [19JY]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [12MR]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [30JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [7MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16JY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [23AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [12JY]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
———provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools (see S. 555), [9FE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [31JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [12SE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [13FE]
Taxation: extend financing of the Superfund program by reinstating certain excise taxes (see S. 461), [15MR]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [5JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13NO]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [23MY]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [20SE]
———reduce excise tax rate on beer produced domestically by certain small producers (see S. 534), [10JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [23JA]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [10SE]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [12MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (see S. 2467), [26AP] (see S. 3254), [4JN]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Tariff: benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol (see S. 2353), [25AP]
———carpet cleaners and parts thereof (see S. 2357), [25AP]
———cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2915), [8MY]
———chime melody rod assemblies (see S. 2340), [24AP]
———cinnamic acid (see S. 2352), [25AP]
———clock movements (see S. 2339), [24AP]
———coffeemakers (see S. 2361), [25AP]
———cyanamide (see S. 2349), [25AP]
———cyclopentylpropionyl chloride (see S. 2348), [25AP]
———diethylaminoethyl-dextran (see S. 2350), [25AP]
———direct injection fuel injectors (see S. 2329), [23AP]
———fireworks, display or special fireworks (see S. 2464), [26AP]
———fireworks, other than display or special fireworks (see S. 2463), [26AP]

———food choppers (see S. 2360), [25AP]
———food processors (see S. 2359), [25AP]
———forged steel crankshafts (see S. 2914), [8MY]
———4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine (see S. 2336), [23AP]
———4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine (see S. 2328), [23AP]
———fuel injection pumps (see S. 2910), [8MY]
———fuel injectors each functional in a common rail fuel system (see S. 2912), [8MY]
———glufosinate-ammonium (GA) (see S. 2356), [25AP]
———handheld food blenders (see S. 2363), [25AP]
———high pressure fuel pumps (see S. 2335), [23AP]
———hybrid electric vehicle inverters (see S. 2330), [23AP]
———Laromer PE 55 F (see S. 2532), [7MY]
———lithium-ion electrical storage batteries (see S. 2334), [23AP]
———motor generator units (see S. 2333), [23AP]
———oxadiazon (see S. 2354), [25AP]
———pasta tools (see S. 2358), [25AP]
———pistons for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2911), [8MY]
———plain shaft sputter bearings (see S. 2913), [8MY]
———poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde) (see S. 2533), [7MY]
———power electronics boxes and static converter composite units (see S. 2332), [23AP]
———stator/rotor parts (see S. 2331), [23AP]
———(3-acetoxy-3-cyanpropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester (see S. 2355), [25AP]
———3-phthalimidopropionaldehyde (see S. 2351), [25AP]
———toasters (see S. 2362), [25AP]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Reports filed
Dept. of Defense Appropriations for Military Activities, Prescribing Personnel Strengths, and Military Construction: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. 3254) (S. Rept. 112–173), [4JN]
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LEXINGTON, KY
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National Emergency Relative to the Former Liberian Regime of Charles Taylor: President Obama, [17JY]

LIBRARIES
Bills and resolutions
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
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LIBYA, GREAT SOCIALIST PEOPLE'S ARAB JAMAHIRIYA
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Foreign aid: provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
———suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Terrorism: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]

LIEBERMAN, JOSEPH I. ***(a Senator from Connecticut)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [12OC]
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [6JN]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [14JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [29MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [14JN]
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [10JY]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [11SE]
Climate: establish a Federal strategy to respond to impacts of climate change by protecting and conserving natural resources and encourage development of similar State and local adaptation plans (see S. 1881), [6FE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Credit: require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [18AP]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [26JN]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [22MR]
Dept. of Justice: dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3490), [2AU]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [22MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [27FE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [20SE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [10JY] (see S. 3394), [13NO]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [13NO]
GAO: repeal or modify certain mandates (see S. 3315), [20JN]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]

Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [17MY]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [10JY]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [13NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [24AP]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [27DE]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [26JY]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [20JN]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [19JY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [18JY]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [12JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [25JY]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [3DE]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Schools: end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools (see S. 555), [29FE]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Smithsonian Institution: establish the Smithsonian American Latino Museum (see S. 1868), [11DE]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [20MR]
Syria: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Taxation: encourage alternative energy investments and job creation (see S. 1863), [23JA]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [25JN]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [5JN]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [10SE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [31JA]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [16MY]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [19MR]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [16JY]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [16JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [7FE]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [5JN]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
———statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Federal agencies and departments: reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
Public Interest Declassification Act: extend (see S. 3564), [19SE]
Tariff: camel hair not processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2312), [19AP]
———camel hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2313), [19AP]
———camel hair waste (see S. 2311), [19AP]
———carded camel hair yarn (see S. 2315), [19AP]
———carded cashmere yarn (see S. 2305, 2307), [19AP]
———carded or combed camel hair (see S. 2309), [19AP]
———cashmere goat hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2306), [19AP]
———combed cashmere yarn or camel hair yarn (see S. 2308), [19AP]
———4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid (see S. 2623), [7MY]
———noils of camel hair (see S. 2314), [19AP]
———rooftop cargo bags (see S. 2621), [7MY]
———thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend (see S. 2405, 2406, 2407), [26AP]
———2-aminopyridine (see S. 2622), [7MY]
———woven fabric containing vicuna hair (see S. 2310), [19AP]
Taxation: exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and sup-

port efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Motions
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Prayers
Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]
Reports filed
Activities During the 111th Congress: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–193), [31JY]
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 298), [25AP]
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station, Bisbee, AZ: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2668), [7MY]
Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2244), [25AP]
D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1379) (S. Rept. 112–178), [25JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security Improved Financial Accountability Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1998) (S. Rept. 112–230), [13NO]
Dept. of Homeland Security Programs Authorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1546) (S. Rept. 112–249), [13DE]
Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 792), [31JY]
District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]
District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902) (S. Rept. 112–186), [16JY]
Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1910) (S. Rept. 112–257), [19DE]
End Trafficking in Government Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2234), [19DE]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
GAO Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 237) (S. Rept. 112–159), [24AP]
GAO Mandates Revision Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 3315) (S. Rept. 112–219), [19SE]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1409) (S. Rept. 112–181), [12JY]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2079), [25AP]
Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1100), [19DE]
Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3247), [25AP]
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3220), [16MY]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building, Yountville, CA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3004), [25AP]
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3413), [16MY]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office, Iuka, MS: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2213), [25AP]
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1423), [25AP]
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
Tomball Veterans Post Office, Tomball, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2660), [25AP]
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]
21st Century Postal Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]
U.S. Secret Service Retirement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]
Veteran Skills to Jobs Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2239), [29JN]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2767), [25AP]

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Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
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Anchorage, AK: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]

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Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
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Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Columbus, OH: anniversary (see S. Res. 375), [14FE]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Dept. of Education: make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of the Interior: provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
District of Columbia: permit determination of the fiscal year period and make local funds for a fiscal year available for use upon enactment of the local budget act for the year subject to congressional review (see S. 2345), [24AP]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Education: improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
———require rulemaking to address considerations in evaluating the need for public and individual disaster assistance (see S. 2303), [19AP]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
Natural gas: provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
White, Kevin H.: tribute (see S. Res. 365), [1FE]
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District of Columbia Proposed Budget and Financial Plan: President Obama, [17DE]
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Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
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Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3902), [12JY]
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Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
LOCATION PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
LONG ISLAND SOUND RESTORATION AND STEWARDSHIP ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
LONG ISLAND SOUND STEWARDSHIP ACT
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Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
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Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
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Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
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Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER AREA STUDY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
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LUGAR, RICHARD G. ***(a Senator from Indiana)***
Attendance
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that

adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [15MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Children and youth: provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [13NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [23AP]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 2213), [21MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [8MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [27MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [19DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [1FE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [1MR]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [30JY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
Taxation: permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [24AP]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [10JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to Bataan defenders (see S. 2004), [24AP]
———award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
———strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]

LUMBEE RECOGNITION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]

LUTER, FRED, JR.
Bills and resolutions
Southern Baptist Convention: tribute to election as the first African-American President (see S. Res. 518), [29JN]

LYON COUNTY, NV
Bills and resolutions
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
Land use: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]

MACDONOUGH, ELIZABETH
Bills and resolutions
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]

MADDOX, CHERYL D.
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Congressional Award Board, [21MY]

MAGNITSKY, SERGEI L.
Bills and resolutions
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Reports filed
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1039) (S. Rept. 112–191), [23JY]

MAHON, GEORGE H. ***(a former Representative from Texas)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

MAINE
Bills and resolutions
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
Bills and resolutions
Kansas City, MO: recognize as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
San Francisco Giants (baseball team): tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]

MANCHIN, JOE, III ***(a Senator from West Virginia)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]

Abortion: prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in government activities (see S. 165), [6FE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [26JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [23JY]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [16JY]
Commodity Exchange Act: prevent excessive speculation with respect to commodity markets and energy contracts (see S. 1598), [7MR]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 3286), [12JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [3DE]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [13SE]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [19SE]
Federal agencies and departments: reform process by which agencies analyze and formulate new regulations and guidance documents (see S. 1606), [30JA]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [29JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204, 3394), [18JY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [18JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [27FE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [18JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
———transfer excess funds from the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund to the United Mine Workers of America pension plan (see S. 621), [13SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [19DE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
Taxation: modify rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations (see S. 593), [30JA]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [12JN]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [29MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [27FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [27JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [18AP]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
Navy Dental Corps: anniversary (see S. Res. 534), [31JY] (see S. Res. 544), [2AU]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Tariff: A5546 sulfonamide (see S. 2590), [7MY]
———carbaryl (see S. 2587), [7MY]
———picoxystrobin (see S. 2589), [7MY]
———2-amino-5-cyano-N,3-dimethylbenzamide (see S. 2588), [7MY]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]

MANIILAQ ASSOCIATION
Reports filed
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]

MANSFIELD, OH
Bills and resolutions
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]

MANZIEL, JOHNNY
Bills and resolutions
Heisman Trophy: recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]

MARINE DEBRIS RESEARCH, PREVENTION, AND REDUCTION ACT
Reports filed
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

MARINE MAMMALS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Reports filed
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

MARINE RESOURCES
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]

Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
Pacific Salmon Stronghold Conservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

MARINE SCIENCE CONSORTIUM
Bills and resolutions
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
Reports filed
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]

MARYLAND
Bills and resolutions
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

MASSACHUSETTS
Bills and resolutions
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]

MATHEMATICS *related term(s)* **ENGINEERING; SCIENCE**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]

MCCAIN, JOHN ***(a Senator from Arizona)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [7JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (see S. 2467), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [5JN]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
FDA: reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [27JN]
Immigration: implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [19DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [9FE]

———repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [27JN]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [5JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16JY]
U.S. Fire Administration: reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [15MY]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Arizona: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 373), [14FE]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Professional Boxing Safety Act: amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Syria: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]

MCCASKILL, CLAIRE ***(a Senator from Missouri)***

Appointments

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———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]

Attendance

Present, [23JA]

Bills and resolutions cosponsored

Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3395), [24JY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [26MR]
Armed Forces: improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [12JY]
———modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [23JY]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [23JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [6MR]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [22MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Credit: revoke Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac charters, temporarily create a Mortgage Finance Agency to secure mortgages until the transition to privatization, and protect against another housing collapse (see S. 1963), [22MY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [16JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [11JN]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [14NO]
Dept. of Defense: ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [27NO]
———provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [26JN]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [21SE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [26MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [14JN]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [30JA]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [11JN] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [16MY]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [21SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [26AP]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [26MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Major League Baseball: recognize Kansas City, MO, as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [14JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [18JN]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [21SE]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations,

and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
———recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
Taxation: provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [18JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2230), [18AP]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [20DE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [31JA]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [13FE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [27MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Appropriations: establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: clarify maximum distance between Farm Service Agency county offices for purposes of the closure or relocation of a county office (see S. 3258), [4JN]
Dept. of Labor: require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
Government regulations: require that Federal regulations use plain writing that is clear, concise, well-organized, and follows other best practices appropriate to the subject or field and intended audience (see S. 2337), [23AP]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Taxation: extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans (see S. 3700), [20DE]
Cloture motions
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]

McCONNELL, MITCH ***(a Senator from Kentucky)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [25AP]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [27JN]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Capitol Building and Grounds: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Daniel K. Inouye (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151, 3342), [2AU]
Congress: adjournment (see S. Con. Res. 38), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 51), [29JN] (see S. Con. Res. 56, 59), [2AU] (see S. Con. Res. 60), [15NO]
———approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Frumin, Alan S.: tribute (see S. Res. 359), [31JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [21SE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [7MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Leahy, Senator: election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
———notify the House of Representatives of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
———notify the President of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 3221), [23MY]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [1FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [13NO]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Unternet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senate: authorize the taking of an official photograph in the Senate Chamber (see S. Res. 381), [28FE] (see S. Res. 405), [22MR]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]

———authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
———authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [15MR]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [17AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [21MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [12JN]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]
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EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]

MCCRARY, RONALD
Prayers
Senate, [21JN]

MCGOVERN, GEORGE S. ***(a former Senator from South Dakota)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
Tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]

MCKINNEY LAKE NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY CONVEYANCE ACT
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Capitol Building and Grounds: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Daniel K. Inouye (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Federal employees: extend pay limitation for Members of Congress and Federal employees (see S. 2079), [7FE]
———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
House of Representatives: repeal authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House (see S. 3528), [11SE]
Income: eliminate automatic salary adjustments (see S. 2210), [20MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]
Leahy, Senator: election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
———require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]
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Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
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Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
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MENDOCINO, CA
Bills and resolutions
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]

MENENDEZ, ROBERT ***(a Senator from New Jersey)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [24AP]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JN]
Animals: prohibit conducting of invasive research on great apes (see S. 810), [16FE]
Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: preserve the Arctic coastal plain as wilderness (see S. 33), [2FE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [7MR]
———authorize the award of a Cold War service medal to members who served honorably during the Cold War era (see S. 402), [6FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JY]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [10MY]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [13JN]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Children and youth: reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments (see S. 195), [2MR]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [6JN]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [9JY]

Climate: establish a Federal strategy to respond to impacts of climate change by protecting and conserving natural resources and encourage development of similar State and local adaptation plans (see S. 1881), [5JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [25JN]
Credit: establish clear regulatory standards for mortgage servicers (see S. 967), [17AP]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———provide enhanced mortgage-backed and asset-backed security investor protections to prevent foreclosure fraud (see S. 824), [7FE]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [27MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Defense of Marriage Act: repeal and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage (see S. 598), [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [24MY]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [26AP]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Transportation: permit Federal regulation and review of tolls and toll increases on certain surface transportation facilities (see S. 2006), [23JA]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [2AU]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [7MR]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [21MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [13MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [16FE] (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Haiti: measure progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts following earthquake (see S. 1576), [24AP]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [24MY]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [17MY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [30JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [7MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [8MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [19JN]
Land and Water Conservation Fund: provide consistent and reliable authority and funding to maximize effectiveness for future generations (see S. 1265), [6FE]
Law enforcement officers: encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout U.S. to disseminate information when an officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty (see S. 657), [5JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JA]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: improve access to, and increase utilization of, bone mass measurement benefits (see S. 1096), [27JN]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [10SE]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [14JN]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [25JN]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Power resources: provide local communities with tools to make solar permitting more efficient (see S. 1108), [10SE]
Real estate: require certain mortgagees to make loan modifications and establish a grant program for State and local government mediation programs (see S. 489), [7FE]
Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [24MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Schools: provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary and secondary school buildings and community colleges (see S. 1597), [23JA]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Work Reinvestment Commission: establish (see S. 584), [7MY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [27MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [15MY]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [10SE]
Taxation: allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past due (see S. 755), [13SE]
———allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [25JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [21SE]
———extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [6JN]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [23MY]
———facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations (see S. 816), [30JA]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [1AU]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [29MR]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid (see S. 1845), [23JA]

———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Terrorism: deter and provide justice for victims by ensuring foreign sponsors of terrorism are held accountable to their victims in U.S. courts (see S. 1894), [14NO]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [27MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [7MR]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [21SE]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [2FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [27MR]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [16AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Credit: establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [7FE]
Medicare: provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Petroleum: ban exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land (see S. 2211), [20MR]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
Tariff: agrumex (see S. 3001), [8MY]
———allyl caproate (see S. 2973), [8MY]
———allyl cyclohexyl propionate (see S. 2972), [8MY]
———allyl heptoate (see S. 2966), [8MY]
———allyl isosulfocynate (see S. 3000), [8MY]
———Amberwood F (see S. 2965), [8MY]
———anisic aldehyde (see S. 3002), [8MY]
———b-cyfluthrin (see S. 3023, 3025), [8MY]
———bis-phenol (see S. 2900), [8MY]
———butane, 1-chloro (see S. 2894), [8MY]
———canagliflozin (see S. 2921), [8MY]
———capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2889, 2892), [8MY]
———carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol (see S. 2926), [8MY]
———cerium sulfide pigments (see S. 2942), [8MY]
———chemicals (see S. 2979), (see S. 3004), [8MY]
———citronitile (see S. 2964), [8MY]
———clothianidin (see S. 3015), [8MY]
———clothianidin and bacillus firmus product mixtures (see S. 3008), [8MY]
———cyasorb 1164 (see S. 2902), [8MY]
———cyasorb 2908 (see S. 2898), [8MY]
———cyasorb 3346 (see S. 2901), [8MY]
———cyclogalbanate (see S. 2963), [8MY]
———cyfluthrin (see S. 3024), [8MY]
———damascenone (see S. 2931), [8MY]
———diaminodecane (see S. 2994), [8MY]
———dimethyl hydrogen phosphite (see S. 3011), [8MY]
———diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2981), [8MY]
———dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan (see S. 2930), [8MY]
———Dragosantol (see S. 2962), [8MY]
———e-caprolactone-neopentylglycol copolymer (see S. 2927), [8MY]
———e-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer (see S. 2939), [8MY]
———ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated (see S. 2985), [8MY]
———ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro (see S. 3005), [8MY]
———ethyl salicilate (see S. 2976), [8MY]
———fenoxaprop-p-ethyl, pyrasulfotole, bromoxynil octanoate, bromoxynil heptanoate, and mefenpyr-diethyl mixtures (see S. 3012, 3022), [8MY]
———4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl sulfone (see S. 2980), [8MY]
———4-chlorobenzaldehyde (see S. 3021), [8MY]
———Frescolat MGA (see S. 2967), [8MY]
———Frescolat ML (see S. 2968), [8MY]
———HAS (see S. 2899), [8MY]
———helvetolide (see S. 2928), [8MY]
———hexane, 1,6-dichloro- (see S. 2896), [8MY]
———hirvenal (see S. 2929), [8MY]
———hydrolite 5 (see S. 2998), [8MY]
———Hydrolite 6 (see S. 2969), [8MY]
———imazalil (see S. 2922), [8MY]
———imazalil mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2918), [8MY]
———licorice extract (see S. 2937), [8MY]
———licorice extract derivatives (see S. 2938), [8MY]
———liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea (see S. 2893), [8MY]
———liquidation or reliquidation of digital still image video cameras (see S. 2949), [8MY]
———lutetium oxide (see S. 2943), [8MY]
———magnesium peroxide (see S. 2986), [8MY]
———majantol (see S. 2997), [8MY]
———menthol-D (see S. 2970), [8MY]
———mesosulfuron-methyl (see S. 3009), [8MY]
———methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene (see S. 2991), [8MY]
———methyl cinnamate (see S. 2975), [8MY]
———methyl salicylate (see S. 2916), (see S. 2999), [8MY]
———muscenone delta (see S. 2932), [8MY]
———Neo Heliopan Hydro (see S. 2971), [8MY]
———neon, compressed (see S. 2941), [8MY]
———neononyl acetate (see S. 2982), [8MY]
———N510 (see S. 2933), [8MY]
———9, 10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)- (CAS No. 32588-54-8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)- (see S. 2978), [8MY]
———N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone mixtures (see S. 2990), [8MY]
———o-acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) (see S. 2948), [8MY]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2977), [8MY]
———1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene,oxidized, polymerized, reduced (see S. 3007), [8MY]
———1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)- (see S. 2895), [8MY]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2993), [8MY]
———1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed (see S. 2992), [8MY]
———oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2989), [8MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved by vinegar (see S. 2891), [8MY]
———pepperoncini prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2890), [8MY]
———permethrin (see S. 3020), [8MY]
———PHBA (see S. 2995), [8MY]
———phenylethyl isobutyrate (see S. 2983), [8MY]
———phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex (see S. 2987), [8MY]
———phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde mixtures (see S. 3013), [8MY]
———phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped (see S. 3010), [8MY]
———polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol (see S. 2925), [8MY]
———poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane) (see S. 2940), [8MY]
———propiconazole (see S. 2917), [8MY]
———propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2923), [8MY]
———propoxur (2-(1-methylethoxy)phenol methylcarbamate) (see S. 3026), [8MY]
———propoxycarbazone-sodium (see S. 3019), [8MY]
———pyrimethanil (see S. 2924), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels (see S. 2946), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom (see S. 2936), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of orange juice from Brazil (see S. 2897), [8MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of polyester fleece sheet sets (see S. 2947), [8MY]
———sodium hypophosphite monohydrate (see S. 3014), [8MY]
———spiromesifen (see S. 3017), [8MY]
———tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate (see S. 2988), [8MY]

———3-amino-1,2-propanediol (see S. 2886), [8MY]
———3-methylylbenzyl chloride (see S. 2974), [8MY]
———thymol (see S. 2996), [8MY]
———Tinopal (see S. 2888), [8MY]
———tralopyril (see S. 2920), [8MY]
———triadimefon (see S. 3016), [8MY]
———Trilon MGDA (see S. 2887), [8MY]
———trimethylcyclohexanol (see S. 2984), [8MY]
———twisted viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2935), [8MY]
———2-chlorobenzyl chloride (see S. 3018), [8MY]
———2-ethylhexyl salicylate (see S. 2903), [8MY]
———2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid (see S. 2904), [8MY]
———2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole (see S. 2919), [8MY]
———vinyldine fluoride-trifluoroethylene copolymer (see S. 3006), [8MY]
———vinylidene chloride-methyl methacrylate-acrylonitrile copolymer (see S. 3003), [8MY]
———viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2934), [8MY]
———yttrium oxide and europium oxide mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2945), [8MY]
———yttrium phosphate and cerium phosphate mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2944), [8MY]
Taxation: extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
Terrorism: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
World Peace Corps Mission: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]

Cloture motions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]

MENTAL HEALTH
Bills and resolutions
Animals: establish a grant program to encourage use of assistance dogs by certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans (see S. 3689), [18DE]
Armed Forces: provide behavioral health readiness services to members of Reserve components based on need (see S. 2466), [26AP]
Children's Grief Awareness Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 590), [13NO]
Community behavioral health services: increase access and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
Dept. of HHS: provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
Depts. of HHS and Education: carry out a demonstration program to fund mental health first aid training programs at selected institutions of higher education to improve student mental health (see S. 3325), [21JN]
Disabled: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Government: strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (see S. 2367), [25AP]
———strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law (S. 2367), corrections in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 63), [18DE]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Medicare: include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Postage and stamps: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]

MERCHANT MARINE INDUSTRY *related term(s)* **CARGO TRANSPORTATION; SHIPS AND VESSELS**
Reports filed
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]

MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]

MERKLEY, JEFF ***(a Senator from Oregon)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [10JY]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [13MR]
———provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
Armed Forces: limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [10MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [14MY]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [12DE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [6FE]
Dept. of Defense: provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [26MR]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [17AP] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [14MY]
Dept. of HHS: provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [13MR]
———revise and extend the program for viral hepatitis surveillance, education, and testing to prevent deaths from liver cancer (see S. 1809), [27JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees

in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [10SE]
Dept. of Justice: enhance the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program (see S. 207), [26AP]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [23MY]
———protect crime victims' rights and reauthorize certain DNA-related grant programs (see S. 250), [26AP]
Dept. of Labor: minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [31JA]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [10SE]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Ecology and environment: address harmful algal blooms and hypoxia through research, forecasting and monitoring, and mitigation and control while helping communities detect, control, and mitigate such events (see S. 1701), [13FE]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
———strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children (see S. 941), [18AP]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [16JY]
Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act: reauthorize (see S. 714), [17AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [7JN] (see S. 3394), [18JY]
———provide protection for consumers who have prepaid cards (see S. 2030), [24JA]
Foreign aid: improve access to microfinance and microenterprise programs (see S. 2027), [13JN]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [11DE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [18JY]
FTC: prescribe rules prohibiting deceptive advertising of abortion services (see S. 1374), [6MR]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [8MR]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [17MY]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [5JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [4DE]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [26NO]
Law enforcement officers: encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout U.S. to disseminate information when an officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty (see S. 657), [7MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [6JN]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [14JN]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [26NO]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Postal Service: recalculate and restore retirement annuities, eliminate requirement to pre-fund health benefits fund, restrict facility closures, and create incentives to maintain levels of service (see S. 1853), [17FE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [18AP]
Senior citizens: improve public transportation services for seniors (see S. 1942), [6MR]
———provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [5DE]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [21MY]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [13NO]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [23AP]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [14NO]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [14NO]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [14NO]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [18DE]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [21MR]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [19SE]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [23JY]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [15MY]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [12DE]
———modify application of the tonnage tax on vessels operating in the dual U.S. domestic and foreign trades (see S. 57), [25AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid (see S. 1845), [17FE]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [28JN] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2230), [16AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [17FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [10MY]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3395), [17JY]
Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]

———require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 2909), [8MY]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
Dept. of Labor: require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
FDA: include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Taxation: extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [28DE]

MESCALERO APACHE TRIBE LEASING AUTHORIZATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]

MEXICO, UNITED STATES OF
Bills and resolutions
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]

MF GLOBAL HOLDINGS, LTD.
Bills and resolutions
Bankruptcy: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]

MIAMI, FL
Bills and resolutions
Miami Heat (basketball team): tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]

MIAMI HEAT (BASKETBALL TEAM)
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]

***MIAMI* (U.S.S.)**
Bills and resolutions
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FL
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]

MICHIGAN
Reports filed
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]

MIDDLE CLASS TAX CUT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3393), [17JY] (see S. 3412), [19JY]
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 3412): motion to proceed, [23JY]
Motions
Enact (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]

MIDDLE EAST
Bills and resolutions
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
———prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Yemen: President Obama, [16MY]
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National Emergency Relative to Syria: President Obama, [9MY]
National Emergency Relative to the Stabilization of Iraq: President Obama, [21MY]
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Iran: strengthen sanctions to compel Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities (H.R. 1905), [1AU]
Reports filed
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]

Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]
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Bills and resolutions
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

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Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

MIGRATORY BIRD HABITAT INVESTMENT AND ENHANCEMENT ACT
Reports filed
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MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING AND CONSERVATION STAMP ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Reports filed
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]

MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT
Bills and resolutions
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]

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Appointments
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Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [29JN]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Animal Welfare Act: provide further protection for puppies (see S. 707), [24JA]
Animals: prohibit conducting of invasive research on great apes (see S. 810), [13SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [26MR]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [9JY]
———improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [4DE]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [23JA]
———modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [14JN]
———provide flexible spending accounts for military families (see S. 387), [14JN]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [20JN]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [25JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [8MR]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [13SE]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [22MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [20SE]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Computers: provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Congress: prohibit securities and commodities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress and require additional reporting of securities transactions by Members and employees (see S. 1903), [26JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prevent, promote awareness of, and educate the public on mail, telemarketing, and Internet fraud targeting senior citizens (see S. 465), [11DE]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [26JA]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [2AU]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
———ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces (see S. 3617), [21SE]
———limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17JY]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [18JN]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [8MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [7MY]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [15MY]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [29FE]
———revise and extend the program for viral hepatitis surveillance, education, and testing to prevent deaths from liver cancer (see S. 1809), [7MY]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: deem certain service in Reserve components as active service for purpose of certain administered laws (see S. 491), [26AP]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [25JY]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
EPA: partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [25JY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: amend certain exemptions for direct care workers and improve systems for collection and reporting of data on the direct care workforce (see S. 1273), [12MR]

FDA: ensure a clear and effective pathway that will encourage innovative products to benefit patients and improve public health (see S. 2113), [27MR]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [25JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Firearms: establish background check procedures for gun shows (see S. 35), [19DE]
———prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [19DE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [13SE]
Gettysburg National Military Park: revise boundaries to include the Gettysburg Train Station (see S. 1897), [5DE]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [23JA]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [20SE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [17JY]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [17AP]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: restore rights for claimants under Holocaust-era insurance policies (see S. 466), [28JN]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [18DE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
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Korea, Democratic People's Republic of: develop a strategy for assisting stateless children (see S. 416), [26JA]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [15MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [31JA]
Medicare: extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [18JN]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [23MY]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [30NO]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [26MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
———regulate political outreach through automated prerecorded phone messages (see S. 1355), [23JA]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [8MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: allow credit for amounts paid by a spouse of an Armed Forces member for a new State license or certification required due to permanent change in duty station of such member to another State (see S. 697), [14JN]
———allow taxpayers to designate overpayments of tax as contributions to the homeless veterans assistance fund (see S. 1806), [25JN]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [10SE]
———expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector (see S. 974), [29JN]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [7MY]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [10SE]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [29NO]
———provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [16JY]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16JY]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [18JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [30JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18AP]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [26AP]
Wildlife: prohibit import, export, transportation, sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species (see S. 1324), [13SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [7MY]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [23JA]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [7FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Dept. of HHS: expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]

Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Taxation: rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
Bills and resolutions relative to
Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [21DE]
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Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

MILITARY COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3624), [21SE]

MILITARY HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3176), [14MY]

MILL SPRINGS BATTLEFIELD ASSOCIATION
Bills and resolutions
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORP.
Bills and resolutions
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
Reports filed
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]

MILLER, JOSHUA D.
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Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]

MINING AND MINERAL RESOURCES
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: authorize establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor (see S. 3330), [21JN]
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Safety: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
Reports filed
Geothermal Exploration and Technology Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1142) (S. Rept. 112–145), [7FE]
Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]

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Bills and resolutions
Lakes: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1272), [1AU]

MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE JUDGMENT FUND DISTRIBUTION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1272), [1AU]

MINORITIES
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Dept. of HHS: provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
Diseases: urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
Federal employees: reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Health: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
NAACP: anniversary (see S. Res. 520), [16JY]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
Senior citizens: strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders (see S. 3593), [20SE]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]

MINUTEMAN MISSILE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]

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Armed Forces: leave no member unaccounted for in the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan (see S. Res. 593), [14NO]

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Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
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Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Disasters: provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]
NOAA Conveyance of Property to Pascagoula, MS: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 363) (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]

MISSOURI
Bills and resolutions
Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Reports filed
Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]

Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]
MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ
Reports filed
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
MOHAVE VALLEY, AZ
Reports filed
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
MOHAVE VALLEY LAND CONVEYANCE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
MOLDOVA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Foreign trade: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Motions
Foreign trade: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
Reports filed
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]
MONEY *related term(s)* **COINS**
Bills and resolutions
Coins: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [31JA]
Dept. of the Treasury: prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [28MR]
MONO COUNTY, CA
Reports filed
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
MONTANA
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Reports filed
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS
Bills and resolutions
Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
Reports filed
Memorial Establishment on Federal Land in the District of Columbia To Honor Free African Americans and Slaves Who Fought During the American Revolution: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 883) (S. Rept. 112–118), [23JA]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation District of Columbia Commemorative Work Authorization: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1421) (S. Rept. 112–127), [23JA]
MORALITY AND ETHICS
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
Reports filed
Great Ape Protection and Cost Savings Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
MORAN, JERRY ***(a Senator from Kansas)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [16JY]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [17AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [31JA]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [6FE]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [24JY]
Dept. of Education: improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [29JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: terminate the U.S. Mint Presidential $1 Coin Program (see S. 1385), [2AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [28JN]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [19JY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [5JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [26JN]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [21MR]
———provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the U.S. by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Depts. of State or Defense (see S. 381), [6MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [28FE]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [19SE]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [10SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [25JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [11SE]

———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [29FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [26AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [29MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [21SE]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [10SE]
———preserve access to ambulance services (see S. 424), [19AP]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [5JN]
———provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units (see S. 1843), [12JN]
OSHA: authorize and expand the Voluntary Protection Programs to include more small businesses (see S. 807), [27FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [6JN]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [29JN]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [27JN]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [5JN]
———provide a tax incentive for installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property (see S. 1526), [1AU]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment (see S. 1174), [29MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal excise tax on indoor tanning services (see S. 1278), [10SE]
———repeal sunset of adoption credit expansion and adoption assistance programs and allow credit to be claimed in the year expenses are incurred, regardless of when the adoption becomes final (see S. 82), [10DE]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [17MY]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [27FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [25AP]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [9MY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
Financial institutions: improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [6MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]

MORRILL, JUSTIN SMITH ***(a former Senator from Vermont)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]

MORRIS, MATTHEW T.
Reports filed
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 298), [25AP]

MOTION PICTURES
Bills and resolutions
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

MOTOR VEHICLE AND HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]

MOTOR VEHICLES
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Army: require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Collector Car Appreciation Day: designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
Insurance: repeal law requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting (see S. 3656), [4DE]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Natural gas: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
———promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
———provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
Roads and highways: improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
Safety: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
Tariff: Agilon 400 (see S. 2661), [7MY]

———catalytic converter mounting mats (see S. 2645), [7MY]
———compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (see S. 2530), [7MY]
———direct injection fuel injectors (see S. 2329), [23AP]
———drive-axles (see S. 2510), [7MY]
———forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods (see S. 2511), [7MY]
———forged steel crankshafts (see S. 2914), [8MY]
———fuel injection pumps (see S. 2910), [8MY]
———fuel injectors each functional in a common rail fuel system (see S. 2912), [8MY]
———high pressure fuel pumps (see S. 2335), [23AP]
———hybrid electric vehicle inverters (see S. 2330), [23AP]
———plain shaft sputter bearings (see S. 2913), [8MY]
———polycrystalline fibers (see S. 2642), [7MY]
———programmable controllers (see S. 2509), [7MY]
———rooftop cargo bags (see S. 2621), [7MY]
———specially designed vehicles (see S. 2534), [7MY]
———stainless steel single piece exhaust gas manifolds (see S. 2737), [7MY]
———suspension system stabilizer bars (see S. 3044), [9MY]
———truck cabs (see S. 2529), [7MY]
Taxation: extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
———extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Cloture motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]

MOUNTAINS
Bills and resolutions
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [29MR]
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station, Talkeetna, AK: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]

MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT (MAP–21)
Cloture motions
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Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]

MULLOY, PATRICK A.
Appointments
U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, [23JA]

MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUNDS SEMIPOSTAL STAMP ACT
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Appointments
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [19SE]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [21MY]
Anchorage, AK: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [9JY]
———modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [12JN]
———track, prevent, and respond to hazing incidents involving members (see S. 3180), [16MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [20DE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Controlled Substances Act: prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Denali Commission: reauthorize and modify membership (see S. 3590), [20SE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [11JN]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [7JN]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [7FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [19JY]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [23AP]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [13JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [12JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [31JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [30JY]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [8MR]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [11JY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]

FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [23JY]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [16JY]
———repeal mandate that individuals purchase health insurance (see S. 19), [16JY]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [21SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [14MY]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [10MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [10MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [29JN]
Law enforcement: reform the ATF, modernize firearms laws and regulations, and protect the community from criminals (see S. 835), [30JA]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [8MY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [7MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [10SE]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 1494), [26JA]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [18AP]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [9FE]
———repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [22MY]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [20JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [14MY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air (see S. 3451), [30JY]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [13NO]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [13SE]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [21JN]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [21SE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [13FE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [17MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [20JN]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [10JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [26JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [12MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [10MY]
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [26AP]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [16AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to the First Special Service Force (see S. 1460), [28FE]
———recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [28NO]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Air Force: prevent relocation of F–16 aircraft from Eielson AFB, AK (see S. 2073), [6FE]
Alaska: authorize establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor (see S. 3330), [21JN]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
Courts: require the attorney for the Government to disclose favorable information to the defendant in criminal prosecutions brought by the U.S. (see S. 2197), [15MR]
Credit: require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
Dept. of Justice: issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
FERC: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [29MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]

Taiwan: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station, Talkeetna, AK: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
MURRAY, PATTY ***(a Senator from Washington)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [20JN]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [27MR]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [17MY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [18JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [17AP] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
Dept. of HHS: improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [14JN]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [26NO]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [24JY] (see S. 3457), [30JY]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [13FE]
District of Columbia: statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Drunken driving: modify minimum penalties for repeat offenders for driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence (see S. 1816), [23JA]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Family and Medical Leave Act: allow leave to care for a same-sex spouse, domestic partner, parent-in-law, adult child, sibling, or grandparent with a serious health condition (see S. 1283), [8MR]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472), [10SE]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [24AP]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Gold Star Wives Day: designate (see S. Res. 420), [17AP]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [20SE]
Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [19AP]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Land and Water Conservation Fund: provide consistent and reliable authority and funding to maximize effectiveness for future generations (see S. 1265), [2AU]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [18JN]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [29FE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [23AP]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Tariff: basketballs made of leather (see S. 2797), [7MY]
———basketballs made of other than leather or rubber (see S. 2798), [7MY]
———basketballs made of rubber (see S. 2799), [7MY]
———recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [1FE]
———volleyballs (see S. 2800), [7MY]
Taxation: extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———modify application of the tonnage tax on vessels operating in the dual U.S. domestic and foreign trades (see S. 57), [29MR]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [8MR]

Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18JN]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [21SE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [23AP]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
World War II: recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [25JN]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Tariff: fitness equipment (see S. 3184), [15MY]
———sports footwear for persons other than men or women (see S. 2399), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for men (see S. 2400, 2402), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for persons other than men (see S. 2403), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [1MR]
Reports filed
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

MUSEUMS
Bills and resolutions
Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
Reports filed
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]

MUSIC AND DANCE *related term(s)* **ARTS AND HUMANITIES**
Bills and resolutions
Taxation: make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]

NADARKHANI, YOUCEF
Bills and resolutions
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY LAND CONVEYANCE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
Bills and resolutions
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]

NATIONAL ADOPT A LIBRARY DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]

NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]

NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]

NATIONAL ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Appropriations: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing (see S. 3661), [5DE]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]

Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
NATIONAL AIRBORNE DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
NATIONAL ALZHEIMER'S PROJECT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
NATIONAL APHASIA AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP ACT
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
NATIONAL ARBOR DAY
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
NATIONAL ASBESTOS AWARENESS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 520), [16JY]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN
Bills and resolutions
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JUNIOR AUXILIARIES
Bills and resolutions
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JUNIOR AUXILIARIES DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS
Bills and resolutions
Reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE FIRE MARSHALS
Bills and resolutions
Iron and steel industry: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
Bills and resolutions
Miami Heat (basketball team): tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]
NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Bills and resolutions
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
NATIONAL CAUCUS ON ARTHRITIS AND MUSCULOSKELETAL HEALTH DISPARITIES
Bills and resolutions
Movement Is Life initiative: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
NATIONAL CELIAC DISEASE AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
NATIONAL CEMETERIES *related term(s)* **CEMETERIES AND FUNERALS**
Bills and resolutions
Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY
Bills and resolutions
Establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
NATIONAL CHARACTER COUNTS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
NATIONAL CHESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
NATIONAL CHILD AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
Bills and resolutions
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]
Northwestern University: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
NATIONAL CONVENIENT CARE CLINIC WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Mission and goals: support (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
NATIONAL CYTOMEGALOVIRUS AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM ACT
Bills and resolutions
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
NATIONAL DATA PRIVACY DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
NATIONAL DAY OF THE AMERICAN COWBOY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
NATIONAL DAY ON WRITING
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
NATIONAL DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS RECOGNITION WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
NATIONAL DROUGHT POLICY ACT
Bills and resolutions
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
NATIONAL EMBLEMS
Bills and resolutions
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Flag—U.S.: protect (see S. 3296), [14JN]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
NATIONAL ESTUARIES DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
NATIONAL FALLS PREVENTION AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
NATIONAL FAMILY PARTNERSHIP
Bills and resolutions
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
NATIONAL FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
Bills and resolutions
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION
Reports filed
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION ESTABLISHMENT ACT
Reports filed
Reauthorize and Amend: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]

NATIONAL FISH HABITAT CONSERVATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
Cloture motions
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Motions
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Bills and resolutions
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
NATIONAL FORESTS
Bills and resolutions
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
———convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Safety: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest: convey a small parcel of land to Brigham Young University (see S. 2471), [26AP]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Reports filed
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]
NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
NATIONAL GUARD
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
———provide behavioral health readiness services to members of Reserve components based on need (see S. 2466), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [16FE]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and related agencies: making appropriations for military construction and veterans' services (see S. 3215), [22MY]
Schools: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams: increase authorized number (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Reports filed
Depts. of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans' Services: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3215) (S. Rept. 112–168), [22MY]
NATIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
NATIONAL HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTIONS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
NATIONAL HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Bills and resolutions
Los Angeles Kings (hockey team): tribute (see S. Res. 497), [19JN]
NATIONAL HOUSING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
NATIONAL HUNGER AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
NATIONAL HURRICANE RESEARCH INITIATIVE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
NATIONAL INFANT MORTALITY AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
NATIONAL INFANTRY MUSEUM AND SOLDIER CENTER COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT
Bills and resolutions
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BIOMEDICAL IMAGING AND BIOENGINEERING
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY
Bills and resolutions
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
Tourette syndrome: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]
NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT
Bills and resolutions
NLRB: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Employment: modify the definition of ''supervisor'' relative to rights to collective bargaining and labor union membership (see S. 2168), [7MR]
Income: permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Labor unions: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]

Motions
Labor unions: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36), [23AP]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

NATIONAL LAKESHORES
Reports filed
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

NATIONAL MEDICINE ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]

NATIONAL MEN'S HEALTH WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 501), [20JN]

NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]

NATIONAL MONTH OF VOTER REGISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]

NATIONAL MPS AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN ACT
Bills and resolutions
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
Reports filed
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]

NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]

NATIONAL NURSE-MANAGED HEALTH CLINIC WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES *related term(s)* **DOMESTIC POLICY**
Bills and resolutions
Budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]
Dept. of Education: establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Foreign trade: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Messages
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
National Drug Control Strategy: President Obama, [19AP]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**
Bills and resolutions
Bailey, Jonathan W.: tribute (see S. Res. 559), [19SE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Renewable energy: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
NOAA Conveyance of Property to Pascagoula, MS: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 363) (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION COMMISSIONED OFFICER CORPS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Reports filed
Reauthorize and Amend: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR YOUTH SAFETY
Bills and resolutions
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]

NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]

NATIONAL PARENTS AS TEACHERS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE *related term(s)* **NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS**
Bills and resolutions
America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership: reauthorize in Iowa (see S. 2133), [27FE]
Appropriations: extend authorization for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Public lands: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
———clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for

George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station, Talkeetna, AK: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Reports filed
First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE STUDY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3399), [18JY]

NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM CRITICAL AUTHORITIES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3398), [18JY]

NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS *related term(s)* **PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS**
Bills and resolutions
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [29MR]
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [29MR]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Veterans: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount (see S. 3596), [20SE]
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station, Talkeetna, AK: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]

NATIONAL PEDIATRIC STROKE AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]

NATIONAL PHENYLKETONURIA AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]

NATIONAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]

NATIONAL POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]

NATIONAL PRINCIPALS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]

NATIONAL PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]

NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]

NATIONAL PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]

NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]

NATIONAL REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]

NATIONAL SAFE DIGGING MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]

NATIONAL SAVE FOR RETIREMENT WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]

NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
Bills and resolutions
Graduate Research Fellowship Program: anniversary (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

NATIONAL SEASHORES
Bills and resolutions
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]

NATIONAL SECURITY *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE; STRATEGIC MATERIALS; TERRORISM**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Bills and resolutions
Air Force Weather: anniversary (see S. Res. 545), [2AU]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
———require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]
Aviation: require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
Budget: modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (see S. 2467), [26AP] (see S. 3254), [4JN]
———provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
———reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
———making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
———prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
———provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence in-

formation on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
———require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———implement a special visa system to allow long-term resident youth to pursue a technical or college degree or serve in the U.S. military (see S. 3639), [27NO]
Intelligence services: authorizing appropriations (see S. 3454), [30JY]
———deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
NATO: strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Public Interest Declassification Act: extend (see S. 3564), [19SE]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
Cloture motions
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma: President Obama, [11JY]
Budget of the U.S. Government for Fiscal Year 2013: President Obama, [13FE]
National Defense Authorization Act Section 1022 Implementation Procedures Relative to Detainee Military Custody Requirements: President Obama, [28FE]
National Emergency Relative to Burma: President Obama, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations: President Obama, [18JY]
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to the Risk of Nuclear Proliferation Created by the Accumulation of Weapons-Usable Fissile Material in Russia: President Obama, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to the Stabilization of Iraq: President Obama, [21MY]
National Emergency Relative to Zimbabwe: President Obama, [2MR]
Motions
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [13NO], [14NO], [15NO], [26NO], [27NO], [28NO], [30NO]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Reports filed
Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Dept. of Defense Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5856) (S. Rept. 112–196), [2AU]
Dept. of Defense Appropriations for Military Activities, Prescribing Personnel Strengths, and Military Construction: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. 3254) (S. Rept. 112–173), [4JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security Programs Authorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1546) (S. Rept. 112–249), [13DE]
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
Intelligence Services Appropriations: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3454) (S. Rept. 112–192), [30JY]
Interagency Personnel Rotation Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1268) (S. Rept. 112–235), [13NO]
Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]

NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Bills and resolutions
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Bills and resolutions
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]

NATIONAL STALKING AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]

NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]

NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]

NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]

NATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM ACT
Bills and resolutions
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
Bills and resolutions
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]

NATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]

NATIONAL TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]

NATIONAL VETERANS BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORP.
Bills and resolutions
Federal authorization: terminate (see S. 3281), [7JN]

NATIONAL VETERANS SUPPORT NETWORK
Bills and resolutions
Establish (see S. 3082), [10MY]

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
———grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]

Reports filed
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HIGH-GROWTH BUSINESS BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE
Bills and resolutions
Establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HIGH-GROWTH BUSINESS BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3196), [17MY]

NATIONAL WORK AND FAMILY MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]

NATIONAL YOUTH TRAFFIC SAFETY MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY
Bills and resolutions
Observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]

NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Reports filed
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization: Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3546), [11DE]

NATIVE AMERICAN TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]

NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS' MEMORIAL ESTABLISHMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Monuments and memorials: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
Reports filed
Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]

NATIVE AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Barona Band of Mission Indians: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust (see S. 3193), [16MY]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
———provide further self-governance by Indian tribes (see S. 3685), [17DE]
———settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [29MR]
Education: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
Gambling: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
Indian Health Service: deem certain claims presented to a contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Languages: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act: clarify certain provisions relative to fundraising and location of the memorial (see S. 3548), [13SE]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
Taxation: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
Utah: clarify authority under legislation defining the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (see S. 3305), [18JN]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
Deem Certain Claims Presented to an Indian Health Service Contracting Officer Pursuant to Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as Timely Presented: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2389) (S. Rept. 112–228), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Determine Blood Quantum Requirement for Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1560), [31JY]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 379) (S. Rept. 112–201), [2AU]
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 546) (S. Rept. 112–198), [2AU]
Lumbee Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1272), [1AU]
Native American Languages Survival and Continuing Vitality Program Reauthorization: Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3546), [11DE]
Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act Clarification Relative to Fundraising and Location of the Memorial: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3548), [11DE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]

NATIVE CULTURE, LANGUAGE, AND ACCESS FOR SUCCESS IN SCHOOLS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]

NATIVE HAWAIIAN GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]

NATURAL GAS *related term(s)* **POWER RESOURCES**
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
———promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]

Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Transportation: provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]

NATURAL GAS ACT
Bills and resolutions
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
Natural gas: provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]

NATURAL HAZARDS RISK REDUCTION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]

NATURAL RESOURCES
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
International relations: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
Petroleum: ban exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land (see S. 2211), [20MR]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Haiti Reforestation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 1023) (S. Rept. 112–165), [15MY]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]

NAVAJO-HOPI LITTLE COLORADO RIVER WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2109), [14FE]

NAVARRO, PETER J.
Reports filed
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]

NAZARETH, KY
Bills and resolutions
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]

NAZI PARTY—WORLD WAR II
Bills and resolutions
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]

NEBRASKA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]

NELSON, BEN ***(a Senator from Nebraska)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Adoption: express importance of a safe, nurturing, and permanent family for all children and recognize that adoption promotes greater stability than long-term institutionalization or foster care (see S. Res. 378), [15FE]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
———restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Air Force Weather: anniversary (see S. Res. 545), [2AU]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [13SE]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [12JY]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [10MY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development programs for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [27JN]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [8MY]
———improve health of children, reduce occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death, and enhance public health activities relative to stillbirth (see S. 1862), [7FE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [20SE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [1AU] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]

March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [5DE]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [5DE]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [1MR]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Power resources: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [17AP]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [19SE]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [5JN]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. Res. 435), [6JN]
Taxation: extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [18JY]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [27MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [16AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [11JY]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [14FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [14MY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [12MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Agriculture: establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands (see S. 3374), [11JY]
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
National Celiac Disease Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
Tariff: avermectin B (see S. 2624), [7MY]
———azoxystrobin (see S. 2631), [7MY]
———clodinafop-propargyl (see S. 2626), [7MY]
———cloquintocet-mexyl (see S. 2632), [7MY]
———cyproconazole (see S. 2625), [7MY]
———fludioxonil (see S. 2627), [7MY]
———pinoxaden (see S. 2633), [7MY]
———pymetrozine (see S. 2630), [7MY]
———(R,S)—2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester (see S. 2629), [7MY]
———thiamethoxam, difenoconazole, fludioxonil, and mefenoxam formulations (see S. 2628), [7MY]
Transportation Security Administration: prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Reports filed
Legislative Branch of the Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (H.R. 5882) (S. Rept. 112–197), [2AU]

NELSON, BILL ***(a Senator from Florida)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [23JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [2AU]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Agriculture: convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for transfer of excess aircraft to the Forest Service for wildfire suppression activities (see S. 3441), [25JY]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [10JY]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [7JN]
———ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [7JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [15MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [12JY] (see S. 3394), [23JY]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [23JY]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [2FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [17JY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]

———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16AP]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [30JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Miami Heat (basketball team): tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [25AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [7JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Oil Pollution Act: require responsible parties to pay full cost of offshore oil spills (see S. 214), [12MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions relative to annual period for disenrollment from Medicare Advantage plans to elect to receive original Medicare fee-for-service benefits (see S. 1479), [29MR]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [22MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [12MR]
Schools: address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students (see S. 506), [23JA]
Securities: amend laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration (see S. 1941), [23JA]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [19JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 435), [6JN]
Taxation: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [5JN]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [17MY]
———require responsible parties to pay full cost of offshore oil spills (see S. 215), [12MR]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [24MY]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [25AP]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [5JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [16JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [27FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [23JA]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
World War II: tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [17AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
Dept. of the Interior: establish a Veterans Conservation Corps (see S. 2130), [17FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [24JY] (see S. 3457), [30JY]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
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Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO]

NEMO, SD
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]

NESS, ELIOT
Bills and resolutions
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN]
Reports filed
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

NEVADA
Bills and resolutions
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
———provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Olympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
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Reports filed
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]

NEVADA COPPER CORP.
Bills and resolutions
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Bills and resolutions
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]

NEW JERSEY
Bills and resolutions
Payne, Donald M.: tribute (see S. Res. 390), [7MR]
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Reports filed
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]

NEW MEXICO
Bills and resolutions
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]

Dept. of the Interior: convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, NM (see S. 3357), [28JN]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Statehood: anniversary (see S. Res. 585), [21SE]
Reports filed
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area Establishment Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 667) (S. Rept. 112–113), [23JA]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]

NEW ORLEANS, LA
Bills and resolutions
Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [29JN]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]

NEW YORK, NY
Bills and resolutions
African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center: establish (see S. 2203), [19MR]
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
Reports filed
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3413), [16MY]

NEW YORK GIANTS (FOOTBALL TEAM)
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]

NEW YORK (STATE)
Bills and resolutions
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]

NEWS MEDIA
Bills and resolutions
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1945), [13FE]

NEWTOWN, CT
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]

NICARAGUA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Reports filed
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]

NICKLAUS, JACK
Bills and resolutions
Congressional Gold Medal: award (see S. 3252), [24MY]

NIGERIA, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of State: require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]

NOBEL PRIZE
Bills and resolutions
Koblinka, Brian K.: recipient for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
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NO-HASSLE FLYING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3542), [13SE]

NON-FEDERAL EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS *related term(s)* **CHARITIES**
Bills and resolutions
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Dept. of Energy: establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): improve (see S. 3246), [24MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Taxation: exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
Reports filed
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]

NORMAN, OK
Reports filed
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Wetlands: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Reports filed
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION EXTENSION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)
Bills and resolutions
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Foreign trade: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
International relations: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]

NORTH CAROLINA
Bills and resolutions
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal

to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Dept. of the Interior: convey McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to North Carolina (see S. 3687), [17DE]
———enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]
Reports filed
Lumbee Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]
McKininey Lake National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–190), [19JY]

NORTH DAKOTA
Bills and resolutions
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Reports filed
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Sports: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]

NORTH KOREAN HUMAN RIGHTS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Reauthorize (H.R. 4240): correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Reports filed
Reauthorize: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]

NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV
Bills and resolutions
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]

NORTH PACIFIC RESEARCH BOARD
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, COMMONWEALTH OF
Bills and resolutions
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

NORTHWEST STRAITS MARINE CONSERVATION INITIATIVE ACT
Reports filed
Reauthorize: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
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Sports: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]

NUCLEAR ENERGY *related term(s)* **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION; NUCLEAR WEAPONS; POWER RESOURCES; RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Reports filed
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION *related term(s)* **NUCLEAR ENERGY**
Bills and resolutions
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Reports filed
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]

NUCLEAR WASTE ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]

NUCLEAR WASTE ADMINISTRATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3469), [1AU]

NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]

NUCLEAR WEAPONS *related term(s)* **INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY; NUCLEAR ENERGY; WEAPONS**
Bills and resolutions
History: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
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Iran: strengthen sanctions to compel Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities (H.R. 1905), [1AU]
Reports filed
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]

OAHU, HI
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]

OAK RIDGE, TN
Bills and resolutions
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH *related term(s)* **SAFETY**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

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Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]

Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
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National Emergency Relative to Somalia: President Obama, [23JY]
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Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries Boundary Modification and Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 179) (S. Rept. 112–149), [27FE]
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]
R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
Bills and resolutions
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Reports filed
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY
Bills and resolutions
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Reports filed
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT *related term(s)* **FEDERAL EMPLOYEES**
Bills and resolutions
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY
Bills and resolutions
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]

OFFICE OF THE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
Bills and resolutions
Members of Congress: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Russia: take action to obtain full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Reports filed
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2323) (S. Rept. 112–158), [19AP]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

OFFICER SAFETY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]

OFFUTT AFB, NE
Bills and resolutions
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]

OGDEN, UT
Bills and resolutions
Law enforcement officers: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

OHIO
Bills and resolutions
Columbus, OH: anniversary (see S. Res. 375), [14FE]
Corps of Engineers: preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]

OIL POLLUTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]

OKLAHOMA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Reports filed
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

OLDER AMERICANS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———encourage the use of locally grown food in meals programs (see S. 3592), [20SE]
———provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [19SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
———strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders (see S. 3593), [20SE]

OLYMPIC GAMES *related term(s)* **SPORTS**
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
Clothing industry: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Nevada: tribute to participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Sports: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]

OMNIBUS CRIME CONTROL AND SAFE STREETS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
Reports filed
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]

O'NEILL, THOMAS P., JR. ***(a former Representative from Massachusetts)***
Bills and resolutions relative to
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Salt Pond Visitor Center, Eastham, MA: designate (see S. 2316), [19AP]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM VETERANS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]

OREGON
Bills and resolutions
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Reports filed
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]

OREGON CAVES REVITALIZATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]

ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE
Bills and resolutions
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
Reports filed
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order:

Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
ORTEGA, DANIEL (PRESIDENT, NICARAGUA)
Reports filed
Nicaragua Democratic Aspirations Support and Call Attention to the Deterioration of Constitutional Order: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 344), [28MR]
OSTEEN, JOEL
Prayers
Senate, [26AP]
OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Energy: establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Reports filed
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LANDS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORP.
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Programs: reauthorize (see S. 3627), [14NO]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Reports filed
Dept. of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3241) (S. Rept. 112–172), [24MY]
PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICANS
Bills and resolutions
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Sports: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
PACIFIC SALMON STRONGHOLD CONSERVATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1401) (S. Rept. 112–140), [30JA]
PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: make it unlawful for a packer to own, feed, or control livestock intended for slaughter (see S. 2141), [29FE]
PAKISTAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Foreign aid: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
———provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION
Bills and resolutions
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
PALESTINIANS
Bills and resolutions
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
PALLIATIVE CARE AND HOSPICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3407), [19JY]
PANAMA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
PANAMA CANAL
Bills and resolutions
San Francisco, CA: mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
PANDEMIC AND ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Antitrust policy: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
PARKLAND, WA
Bills and resolutions
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
PARKS, ROSA
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS
Bills and resolutions
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area: authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access (see S. 2372), [26AP]
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Dept. of HUD: provide Federal grants to urban areas for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreational areas and facilities and development of improved recreation programs (see S. 3583), [20SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]
PASCAGOULA, MS
Reports filed
NOAA Conveyance of Property to Pascagoula, MS: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 363) (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]
PASSENGER VESSEL SERVICES ACT
Reports filed
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]
PASSPORTS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [31JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
PASSWORD PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3074), [9MY]
PATENT LAW TREATIES IMPLEMENTATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
PATENTS *related term(s)* **COPYRIGHTS**
Bills and resolutions
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Reports filed
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
PATENTS FOR HUMANITY PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3652), [4DE]
PATHENOS, MATTHEW P.
Reports filed
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3247), [25AP]
PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Independent Payment Advisory Board: repeal provisions (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Insurance: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
PATIENT SAFETY AND GENERIC LABELING IMPROVEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2295), [18AP]

PATRIOT GUARD RIDERS (ORGANIZATION)
Bills and resolutions
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
PATRIOTISM
Bills and resolutions
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Flag—U.S.: protect (see S. 3296), [14JN]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
PAUL, RAND *(a Senator from Kentucky)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [24AP]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY]
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
Dept. of Defense: provide for auditable financial statements (see S. 3487), [2AU]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [19DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [12JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: establish a payment option to freely contract, without penalty, for fee-for-service items and services, while allowing beneficiaries to use their benefits (see S. 1042), [13NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [24JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [22MR]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Aviation: establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
Budget: setting forth the Federal budget for 2012–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 39), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 40), [16AP] (see S. Con. Res. 42), [26AP]
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Census: provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Civil liberties: protect individual privacy against unwarranted governmental intrusion through the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles commonly called drones (see S. 3287), [12JN]
Congress: end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
———preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
———require each bill enacted be limited to only one subject (see S. 3359), [28JN]
Economy: permit voluntary economic activity (see S. 2269), [29MR]
Egypt: prohibit direct foreign assistance until certain certifications are made relative to the treatment of nongovernmental organization workers (see S. 2327), [19AP]
EPA: prohibit awarding any grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or financial assistance under the Clean Air Act for any program, project, or activity to occur outside the U.S. (see S. 2226), [22MR]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
Foreign aid: provide limitations on U.S. assistance (see S. 3576), [19SE]
Medicare: eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3260), [4JN] (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Senior citizens: provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [14MR]
PAYÁ SARDIÑAS, OSWALDO
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Cloture motions
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———motion to proceed, [5JN]
Motions
Enact (S. 3220), [24MY]

PAYING A FAIR SHARE ACT
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American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [19AP]
Dept. of Defense: establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
Foreign policy: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]

PHILLIPS, MICHEAL E.
Reports filed
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1423), [25AP]

PILOT'S BILL OF RIGHTS
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3268), [6JN]

PINE CITY, MN
Reports filed
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3220), [16MY]

PIPELINES *related term(s)* **NATURAL GAS; PETROLEUM**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
———exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]

PIRATE FISHING ELIMINATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
PITTSBURG, KS
Bills and resolutions
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
PITTSTON, PA
Reports filed
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]
POLAND, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES
Bills and resolutions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
———reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Cloture motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS
Bills and resolutions
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
———permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
———provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
Presidents of the U.S.: reform system of public financing of elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
Cloture motions
Elections: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Elections: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Reports filed
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1100), [19DE]
POLITICAL ETHICS
Bills and resolutions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
———provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
———reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Privacy: change effective date for the Internet publication of certain information to prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees (see S. 3625), [21SE]
———prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Reports filed
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]
POLITICAL PARTIES
Bills and resolutions
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
POLITICAL SCIENCE
Bills and resolutions
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
POLLÁN, LAURA
Reports filed
Tribute: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]
POLLUTION *related term(s)* **ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT**
Bills and resolutions
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Clean Air Act: clarify a certain provision relative to prevention of accidental releases (see S. 3529), [11SE]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
———standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Taxation: modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
POPULATION
Bills and resolutions
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]
———provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
PORNOGRAPHY
Bills and resolutions
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
PORTMAN, ROB ***(a Senator from Ohio)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]

———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [21JN]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [7JN]
Appropriations: eliminate automatic increases for inflation from CBO baseline projections for discretionary appropriations (see S. 1896), [23JA]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [29MR]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [24MY]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 1503), [16FE] (see S. 2232), [27MR]
Columbus, OH: anniversary (see S. Res. 375), [14FE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
———prohibit earmarks (see S. 1930), [23JA]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [10SE]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [16FE]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [17DE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [15MR]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: modify provisions relative to exemption for computer systems analysts, computer programmers, software engineers, or other similarly skilled workers (see S. 1747), [26JN]
———preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [18JN]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [10SE]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [13NO]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Government: increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]
GPO: eliminate mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for use by Congress (see S. 210), [6JN]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [27FE]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [24AP]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [29NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [28JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record: provide an amnesty period during which veterans and their families can register certain firearms (see S. 798), [27MR]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [7JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [1AU]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [23AP]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [13NO]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [21MY]
Taxation: clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organizations (see S. 1908), [15MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [8MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [7MY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [17AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Controlled Substances Act: place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [28MR]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Federal agencies and departments: require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]

Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
Prayers
Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]
POSTAGE AND STAMPS
Bills and resolutions
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Cloture motions
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Motions
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [22MR], [17AP], [24AP]
Reports filed
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
21st Century Postal Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
POSTAL SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office, Waterford, WI: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building, Baldwinsville, NY: designate (see S. 3435), [25JY]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building, Ellwood City, PA: designate (see S. 3386), [16JY]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Cloture motions
Improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR]
Improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [17AP]
Motions
Improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [22MR], [17AP], [24AP]
Reports filed
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 298), [25AP]
Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2244), [25AP]
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2079), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3247), [25AP]
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3220), [16MY]
Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building, Yountville, CA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3004), [25AP]
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3413), [16MY]
Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office, Iuka, MS: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2213), [25AP]
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1423), [25AP]
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]
Tomball Veterans Post Office, Tomball, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2660), [25AP]
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]
21st Century Postal Service Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2767), [25AP]
POVERTY *related term(s)* **HOMELESS; HUNGER**
Bills and resolutions
Boys Town (organization): mint coins in commemoration of anniversary (see S. 3712), [28DE]
Dept. of Agriculture: repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
———improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Taxation: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]
Reports filed
Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 1016), [26AP]
POWER RESOURCES *related term(s)* **CONSERVATION OF ENERGY; NATURAL GAS; PETROLEUM; RENEWABLE ENERGY**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Business and industry: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
———modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]

———establish a pilot program to award grants to nonprofit organizations for retrofitting nonprofit buildings with energy-efficiency improvements (see S. 3535), [12SE]
———establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
———improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
———prohibit enforcement of regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers (see S. 3408), [19JY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
———partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
———standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
FERC: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
Government regulations: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———strengthen multilateral sanctions regime and expand sanctions relative to the energy sector, weapons of mass destruction proliferation, and human rights abuses (see S. 2101), [13FE]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
National objectives: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
Natural gas: promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Petroleum: ban exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land (see S. 2211), [20MR]
———establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
States: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———recognize primacy relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Tariff: wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
———deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
———extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
National objectives: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
National objectives: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Reports filed
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Dept. of Energy Administrative Improvement Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1160) (S. Rept. 112–147), [7FE]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Geothermal Exploration and Technology Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1142) (S. Rept. 112–145), [7FE]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]
Strengthen Multilateral Sanctions Regime Against Iran and Expand Sanctions Relative to Energy Sector, Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation, and Human Rights Abuses: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (Senate) (S. 2101), [13FE]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]

PRAYERS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]

PRECIOUS METALS
Bills and resolutions
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]

PREPAREDNESS AND RESILIENCE FOUNDATION
Bills and resolutions
Disasters: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]

PREPAREDNESS AND RESILIENCE FOUNDATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2202), [15MR]
PRESERVE THE WATERS OF THE U.S. ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2245), [28MR]
PRESERVING AMERICAN HOMEOWNERSHIP ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2093), [9FE]
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (BARACK OBAMA)
Bills and resolutions
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Leahy, Senator: notify the President of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Syria: require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma, [11JY]
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Yemen, [16MY]
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions, [6FE]
Budget of the U.S. Government for Fiscal Year 2013, [13FE]
Convention on the Law Applicable to Certain Rights in Respect of Securities Held With an Intermediary, [17MY]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities, [17MY]
District of Columbia Proposed Budget and Financial Plan, [17DE]
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Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Designation for South Sudan, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Argentina, [26MR]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands, [29JN]
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for St. Kitts and Nevis, [20DE]
National Defense Authorization Act Section 1022 Implementation Procedures Relative to Detainee Military Custody Requirements, [28FE]
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National Emergency Relative to Burma, [17MY]
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to Iran, [31JY]
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations, [18JY]
National Emergency Relative to Somalia, [23JY]
National Emergency Relative to Syria, [9MY]
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to the Former Liberian Regime of Charles Taylor, [17JY]
National Emergency Relative to the Risk of Nuclear Proliferation Created by the Accumulation of Weapons-Usable Fissile Material in Russia, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to the Stabilization of Iraq, [21MY]
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions, [24JY]
National Emergency Relative to Zimbabwe, [2MR]
Protocol Amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters, [17MY]
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Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
Reports filed
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE
Bills and resolutions
Leahy, Senator: election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
———notify the House of Representatives of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
———notify the President of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Reid, Senator: authorize to administer the oath of office of President pro tempore to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
Designated acting Presidents pro tempore
Akaka, Senator, [2MR]
Begich, Senator, [10JA], [2OC], [30OC]
Bennet, Senator, [26JY], [30DE]
Bingaman, Senator, [13JA], [19MR], [27MR], [9NO]
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Boxer, Senator, [1JA]
Brown, Senator Sherrod, [20DE]
Cardin, Senator, [21MY]
Coons, Senator, [24JA], [30JA], [13FE], [14FE], [17FE], [28FE], [12MR], [13MR], [20MR], [16AP], [17AP], [8MY], [11JN], [12JN], [25JN], [26JN], [29JN], [16JY], [17JY], [31JY], [3AU], [17SE], [25SE], [16OC], [16NO], [27NO], [30NO], [3DE], [4DE], [17DE]
Durbin, Senator, [1FE]
Franken, Senator, [25MY]
Gillibrand, Senator, [17JA], [15FE], [29FE], [7MR], [14MR], [21MR], [28MR], [18AP], [25AP], [9MY], [16MY], [23MY], [6JN], [13JN], [20JN], [27JN], [11JY], [18JY], [25JY], [1AU], [12SE], [19SE], [28NO], [5DE], [12DE], [19DE]
Landrieu, Senator, [24DE]
Leahy, Senator, [29MY], [10DE]
Levin, Senator, [20JA], [21FE], [23AP], [31MY]
Liebeman, Senator, [12OC]
Mikulski, Senator, [2NO]
Reid, Senator, [6NO]
Rockefeller, Senator, [5OC], [23OC], [26OC]
Sanders, Senator, [14NO]
Shaheen, Senator, [22MY]
Udall, Senator Tom, [26JA], [2FE], [9FE], [16FE], [1MR], [8MR], [15MR], [22MR], [29MR], [19AP], [26AP], [10MY], [17MY], [24MY], [7JN], [14JN], [21JN], [28JN], [12JY], [19JY], [2AU], [13SE], [20SE], [29NO], [6DE], [13DE]
Warner, Senator, [3JA], [30JY], [28SE], [28DE]
Webb, Senator, [6JA], [24FE], [9OC], [19OC], [13NO], [11DE]
Whitehouse, Senator, [21DE], [27DE]
PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]
PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES
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Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint), [5MR]
Reading of George Washington's farewell address, [14FE]
Bills and resolutions
Appropriations: establish legislative line-item veto to expedite consideration of rescissions (see S. 2086), [9FE]
Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Contracts: implement controls on salaries of Government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation equal to the pay of the President of the U.S. (see S. 2198), [15MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19JN]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Government regulations: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Political campaigns: reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Special days and holidays: provide that Washington's Birthday be observed on February 22, rather than the third Monday in February, of each year (see S. 2052), [31JA]
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3310) (S. Rept. 112–233), [13NO]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
PREVENTING DUPLICATIVE AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS RESOLUTION
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
PRINEVILLE, OR
Bills and resolutions
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]

PRINTING
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Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Tariff: black 661 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2606), [7MY]
———black 820 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2607), [7MY]
———cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink (see S. 2605), [7MY]
———cyan 854 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2604), [7MY]
PRISONERS OF WAR
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: leave no member unaccounted for in the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan (see S. Res. 593), [14NO]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
PRODUCT SAFETY
Bills and resolutions
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
FDA: help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Reports filed
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
PROFESSIONAL BOXING SAFETY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Goal and ideals: support (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
PROTECT OUR KIDS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3705), [21DE]
PROTECTING AMERICAN TRADE SECRETS AND INNOVATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3389), [17JY]
PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM UNREASONABLE CREDIT RATES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3452), [26JY]
PROTECTING EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES IN BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3381), [12JY]
PROTECTING OLDER WORKERS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2189), [13MR]
PROTECTING OUR STUDENTS AND TAXPAYERS (POST) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2032), [23JA]
PRYOR, MARK L. ***(a Senator from Arkansas)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [29MR]
Committee on Armed Services (Senate): authorize release of records in the case of posthumous advancement of John D. Lavelle to rank of general on the retired list of the Air Force (see S. Res. 629), [31DE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
Dept. of Labor: provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [10SE]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [12SE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [26JN]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [12SE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [10SE]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [10SE]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [18JY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [16AP]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [25JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [26JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25AP]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [28JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [11SE]
———provide for treatment of certain physician pathology services (see S. 1967), [27FE]
Mother's Day: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 889), [26AP]
National Apprenticeship Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Power resources: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [18JY]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [19SE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [1AU]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [24AP]
———clarify the employment tax treatment and reporting of wages paid by professional employer organizations (see S. 1908), [15MY]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]

———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [11SE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [19SE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Telephones: restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property (see S. 543), [29MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [27MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [5MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
Dept. of Agriculture: acknowledge decision to consider or reject civil rights claims within 45 days and process all accepted claims within 270 days (see S. 2387), [26AP]
———modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
EPA: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
Foreign trade: enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
Tariff: bifenazate (see S. 2855), [8MY]
———bis(2,3-dibromopropyl ether) of tetrabromobisphenol A (see S. 2865), [8MY]
———butralin (see S. 2856), [8MY]
———daminozide (see S. 2862), [8MY]
———etridiazole (see S. 2871), [8MY]
———4,4'-butylidenebis [3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol] (see S. 2863), [8MY]
———4,4'-methylenebis(2-chloroaniline) (see S. 2860), [8MY]
———4,4'-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol] (see S. 2866), [8MY]
———ipconazole (see S. 2853), [8MY]
———N,N-hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxy-phenylpropionamide)) (see S. 2869), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride (see S. 2857), [8MY]
———paraquat dichloride and inerts (see S. 2858), [8MY]
———pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (see S. 2859), [8MY]
———phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2868), [8MY]
———propargite (see S. 2870), [8MY]
———triacetonamine (see S. 2854), [8MY]
———2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol (see S. 2867), [8MY]
———2,2'-methylenebis (4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol) (see S. 2864), [8MY]
———2,2'-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol) (see S. 2861), [8MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3236), [24MY]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Bills and resolutions
Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office, Waterford, WI: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building, Baldwinsville, NY: designate (see S. 3435), [25JY]
Courts: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: designate (see S. 3311), [19JN]
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Raleigh, NC: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building, Westminster, MA: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: designate (see S. 2251), [29MR]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building, Ellwood City, PA: designate (see S. 3386), [16JY]
Surplus Government property: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3687), [17DE]
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic, Sunrise, FL: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]
William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
Alto Lee Adams, Sr., U.S. Courthouse, Fort Pierce, FL: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (H.R. 1791), [10JY]
Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building, Cedar Park, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 298), [25AP]
Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station, Bisbee, AZ: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2668), [7MY]
Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2244), [25AP]
Eliot Ness ATF Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
James F. Battin U.S. Courthouse, Billings, MT: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3311), [10JY]
John J. Cook Post Office, East Rockaway, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2079), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]
Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building, Chesterfield, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3247), [25AP]
Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office, Pine City, MN: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3220), [16MY]
Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building, Yountville, CA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3004), [25AP]
Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office, Bronx, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3413), [16MY]
Robert Boochever U.S. Courthouse, Juneau, AK: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2251), [27DE]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2326), [27DE]
Sergeant Jason W. Vaughn Post Office, Iuka, MS: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2213), [25AP]
Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office, Ardmore, OK: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1423), [25AP]
Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building, Ballwin, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3246), [25AP]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]
Tomball Veterans Post Office, Tomball, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2660), [25AP]
Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building, Pittston, PA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2415), [16MY]

William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, Washington, DC: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2767), [25AP]

PUBLIC COMPANY ACCOUNTING REFORM AND INVESTOR PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Cloture motions
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Motions
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]

PUBLIC DEBT *related term(s)* **BUDGET—U.S.**
Bills and resolutions
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [9FE]
Government: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Cloture motions
Taxation: reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Messages
Economic Report: President Obama, [17FE]
Statutory Debt Limit: President Obama, [23JA]
Motions
Government: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (H.J. Res. 98), [26JA]
Taxation: reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), [27MR]

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Syria: condemn human rights violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS
Bills and resolutions
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
———provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———provide for the participation of optometrists in the National Health Service Corps scholarship and loan repayment programs (see S. 2192), [15MR]
———provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
———reauthorize and extend the fetal alcohol syndrome prevention and services program (see S. 2262), [29MR]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
———improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2068), [2FE] (see S. 2288), [17AP]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Reports filed
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Taking Essential Steps for Testing (TEST) Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3391), [19SE]

PUBLIC INTEREST DECLASSIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Extend (see S. 3564), [19SE]

PUBLIC LANDS
Bills and resolutions
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Agriculture: establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands (see S. 3374), [11JY]
Anchorage, AK: provide for unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city for purposes of economic development by conveying Federal reversion interest to the city (see S. 3633), [15NO]
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
BLM: convey certain Federal land to Yerington, NV (see S. 2228), [22MR]
———provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
———convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
———convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
Dept. of Defense: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]
Dept. of Energy: establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, NM (see S. 3357), [28JN]
———convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
———enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
———modify Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project (see S. 3563), [19SE]
———provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels re-

duction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
FEMA: waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
FERC: remove authority to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation (see S. 3265), [5JN]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [11JY]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
Mount Denali: designate (see S. 2272), [29MR]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
———clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
———extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]
Petroleum: ban exportation of crude oil produced on Federal land (see S. 2211), [20MR]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
States: provide for approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest: convey a small parcel of land to Brigham Young University (see S. 2471), [26AP]
Utah: clarify authority under legislation defining the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (see S. 3305), [18JN]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]
Cloture motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
Reports filed
Albuquerque, NM, Federal Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3370), [1AU]
Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1065) (S. Rept. 112–199), [2AU]
Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2467), [21SE]
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Dept. of the Interior Authority To Take Land Into Trust for Indian Tribes Reaffirmation: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 676) (S. Rept. 112–166), [17MY]
Dept. of the Interior Right-of-Way Permits for Natural Gas Pipeline Transportation Utility Systems in Denali National Park and Preserve Nonwilderness Areas: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 302) (S. Rept. 112–107), [23JA]
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
Kotzebue, AK, Property Conveyance From the U.S. to the Maniilaq Association: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 443) (S. Rept. 112–250), [13DE]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
Memorial Establishment on Federal Land in the District of Columbia To Honor Free African Americans and Slaves Who Fought During the American Revolution: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 883) (S. Rept. 112–118), [23JA]
Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]
Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]
NOAA Conveyance of Property to Pascagoula, MS: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 363) (S. Rept. 112–133), [26JA]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area Establishment Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 667) (S. Rept. 112–113), [23JA]
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]

PUBLIC LANDS CORPS ACT
Reports filed
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

PUBLIC LANDS SERVICE CORPS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

PUBLIC OPINION POLLS
Bills and resolutions
Bureau of the Census: make participation in the American Community Survey voluntary, except with respect to certain basic questions (see S. 3079), [10MY]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]

PUBLIC RANGELANDS IMPROVEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: establish criteria for the rate of fees charged for grazing private livestock on public rangelands (see S. 3374), [11JY]

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER MEDAL OF VALOR REVIEW BOARD
Appointments
Members, [24JY], [20SE]

PUBLIC SAFETY SPECTRUM AND WIRELESS INNOVATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Reports filed
Designate: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]

PUBLIC UTILITIES
Bills and resolutions
Crime: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]

———disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Tariff: wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]
Taxation: modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
Water: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Motions
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
Reports filed
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]

PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATORY POLICIES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]

PUBLIC WELFARE PROGRAMS *related term(s)* **FEDERAL AID PROGRAMS; SOCIAL SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
———prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
Social Security: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program: disapprove rule relative to waivers of work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]

PUBLIC WORKS
Bills and resolutions
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
———establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
———preserve historical integrity of Zoar, OH, while carrying out any study or construction of flood damage reduction measures, including levees (see S. 3580), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Water: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
Reports filed
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]

PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]

PULASKI COUNTY, KY
Bills and resolutions
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]

QUADRENNIAL DIPLOMACY AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3341) (S. Rept. 112–220), [19SE]

R.M.S. *TITANIC* MARITIME MEMORIAL ACT
Bills and resolutions
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Reports filed
R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]

R.M.S. *TITANIC* MARITIME MEMORIAL PRESERVATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]

RACIAL RELATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [29JN]
NAACP: anniversary (see S. Res. 520), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Senior citizens: strengthen programming, services, and outreach for diverse elders (see S. 3593), [20SE]
Sports: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]

RADIO *related term(s)* **NEWS MEDIA; TELECOMMUNICATIONS**
Bills and resolutions
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]

RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]

Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]

RAILING, KAREN
Bills and resolutions
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]

RAILROADS *related term(s)* **CARGO TRANSPORTATION**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Reports filed
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]

RAINVILLE, MARCEL
Prayers
Senate, [13SE]

RALEIGH, NC
Bills and resolutions
Jesse Helms Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse: designate (see S. 3658), [5DE]

RAPID CITY, SD
Bills and resolutions
Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]

RARE DISEASE DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]

REAL ESTATE
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———establish shared equity appreciation mortgage modification pilot programs (see S. 2093), [9FE]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 2909), [8MY]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [16FE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [2AU]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Dept. of Defense: provide for indemnification of transferees of property at any closed military installation (see S. 3644), [28NO]
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
———establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Eminent domain: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Fair Housing Act: protect servicemembers and veterans from housing discrimination (see S. 3283), [11JN]
Federal Housing Finance Agency: prohibit investments by mortgage finance agencies that create disincentives to help homeowners and stabilize the housing market (see S. 2072), [6FE]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
Financial institutions: authorize depository institutions, holding companies, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac to lease foreclosed property held by such institutions and companies (see S. 2080), [9FE]
———exempt community banks from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
Reports filed
District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]

RECALCITRANT CANCER RESEARCH ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3566), [19SE]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]

RECYCLED MATERIALS *related term(s)* **REFUSE DISPOSAL**
Bills and resolutions
Crime: prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]

RECYCLING *related term(s)* **ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT**
Bills and resolutions
Crime: prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [15NO]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]

RED RIBBON WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]

RED RIVER, NM
Bills and resolutions
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]

REDUCING DUPLICATION OVERSEAS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3676), [12DE]

REDUCTION IN FEDERAL ADVERTISING BUDGETS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3540), [13SE]

REED, JACK ***(a Senator from Rhode Island)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: promote local and regional farm and food systems (see S. 1773), [14FE]
Animals: prohibit conducting of invasive research on great apes (see S. 810), [19SE]
Armed Forces: improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [15MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: make privately issued student loans dischargeable (see S. 1102), [24JY]

Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [24AP]
Children and youth: reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments (see S. 195), [26JY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [13JN]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Defense of Marriage Act: repeal and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage (see S. 598), [10MY]
Dept. of Education: establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [24AP]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [25AP]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [31JY]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [21MY]
Dept. of HHS: increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [15NO]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [16MY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [14MY]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [19SE]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [19SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [19JN]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [10JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [27DE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Criminal Justice Commission: establish (see S. 306), [20SE]
National Endowment for the Oceans: establish (see S. 973), [6FE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center: allow use of commemorative coin surcharges for retirement of debt (see S. 3363), [29JN]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [26JA]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [24AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [14MY]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [19SE]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [26AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [28JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [28JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA]
Dept. of HHS: provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
———reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
Housing: develop local strategies to coordinate use of assistance for low-income housing residents with public and private resources to enable families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency (see S. 3513), [2AU]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [21SE]
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency: establish pilot program to facilitate communication between borrowers and servicers (see S. 3589), [20SE]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
Veterans: enhance and expand assistance to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness (see S. 3349), [27JN]

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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]

Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]

REFUGEES *related term(s)* **IMMIGRATION**
Bills and resolutions
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
North Korean Human Rights Act: reauthorize (H.R. 4240), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 58), [2AU]
Reports filed
North Korean Human Rights Act Reauthorization: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (H.R. 4240), [18JY]

REFUSE DISPOSAL *related term(s)* **RECYCLED MATERIALS; SEWAGE DISPOSAL**
Bills and resolutions
Coal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Hazardous substances: certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Nuclear Waste Administration: establish (see S. 3469), [1AU]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Reports filed
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

REHABILITATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Civil rights: restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]

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Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [6NO]
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Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [16AP]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [20MR]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [25JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [13SE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [20MR]
Professional Boxing Safety Act: amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Tariff: volleyballs (see S. 2800), [7MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [5MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Capitol Building and Grounds: permit use of rotunda for the lying in state of the remains of Daniel K. Inouye (see S. Con. Res. 64), [18DE]
Committee on Appropriations (Senate): designate Chairman (see S. Res. 627), [20DE]
Committee on Armed Services (Senate): authorize release of records in the case of posthumous advancement of John D. Lavelle to rank of general on the retired list of the Air Force (see S. Res. 629), [31DE]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Congress: adjournment (see S. Con. Res. 38), [29MR] (see S. Con. Res. 43), [26AP] (see S. Con. Res. 51), [29JN] (see S. Con. Res. 56, 59), [2AU] (see S. Con. Res. 60), [15NO]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [24AP]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (see S. 3637), [26NO]
Frumin, Alan S.: tribute (see S. Res. 359), [31JA]
Leahy, Senator: election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 619), [17DE]
———notify the House of Representatives of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 622), [18DE]
———notify the President of election as President pro tempore (see S. Res. 623), [18DE]
Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
Olympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Privacy: prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Public debt: allow increase of debt ceiling by Executive order (see S. 3664), [6DE]
Senate: authorize the taking of an official photograph in the Senate Chamber (see S. Res. 381), [28FE] (see S. Res. 405), [22MR]
Senate Legal Counsel: authorize legal representation in Bilbrey v. Tyler (see S. Res. 506), [26JN]
———authorize legal representation in Common Cause, et al v. Joseph R. Biden, Jr., et al. (see S. Res. 485), [6JN]
———authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]
Tariff: drinking glasses (see S. 2536), [7MY]
———formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate (see S. 2537), [7MY]
———specially designed vehicles (see S. 2534), [7MY]
———2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione (see S. 2538), [7MY]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
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Bills and resolutions relative to
President pro tempore: authorize to administer the oath of office to Senator Leahy (see S. Res. 620), [17DE]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stim-

ulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
———temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), motion to proceed, [20JN], [21JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
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Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN]
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Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [13NO], [14NO], [15NO], [26NO], [27NO], [28NO]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3429), [31JY]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [1AU], [2AU], [10SE], [11SE], [12SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), [10MY], [15MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), [17MY], [21MY], [22MY], [21JN]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
FEMA: restore financial solvency of the National Flood Insurance Fund (S. 1940), [13JN], [18JN], [19JN], [20JN], [21JN], [25JN]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Iran: strengthen sanctions to compel Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities (H.R. 1905), [1AU]
Moldova: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), [12JY], [16JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [22MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
———extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), [11JY], [17JY], [18JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), [27MR]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (S. 1925), [17AP]

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RELIGION *related term(s)* **CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES**
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [22MR], [26MR]
Bills and resolutions
Arlington National Cemetery: provide certain requirements for the placement of monuments (H.R. 1627), correction in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 55), [1AU]
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Civil liberties: require reasonable religious accommodations in the workplace (see S. 3686), [17DE]
Dept. of Agriculture: increase purchase of Kosher and Halal food and modify labeling of the commodities list under the Emergency Food Assistance Program to assist food banks in obtaining such foods (see S. 3632), [15NO]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
Indonesia: allow Indonesian citizens fleeing religious persecution to file a motion to reopen their asylum claims (see S. 3339), [25JN]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
Luter, Fred, Jr.: tribute to election as the first African-American President of the Southern Baptist Convention (see S. Res. 518), [29JN]

Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Taxation: clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Women: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
World Peace Corps Mission: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
Condemn Iran for Continued Persecution, Imprisonment, and Sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the Charge of Apostasy: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 385), [20JN]
Condemn Persecution of Baha'is and Continued Violation of International Covenants on Human Rights, Impose Sanctions for Violations, Call for Release of Religious Prisoners in Iran: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 80), [28MR]
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]
RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2043), [30JA]
RENEWABLE ENERGY *related term(s)* **POWER RESOURCES**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Agriculture: improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
———modify the definition of the term biobased product (see S. 2346), [25AP]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———establish the Office of Federal Energy Production (see S. 3404), [19JY]
EPA: partially waive the renewable fuel standard when corn inventories are low (see S. 3428), [24JY]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Tariff: wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
———wind turbine generator switchgear assemblies and panel boards (see S. 2961), [8MY]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
———deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
———extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Cloture motions
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Motions
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
Reports filed
Geothermal Production Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1149) (S. Rept. 112–146), [7FE]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1684) (S. Rept. 112–263), [21DE]
Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 441) (S. Rept. 112–129), [23JA]
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]
RENEWABLE FUEL STANDARD FLEXIBILITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3428), [24JY]
REOPENING AMERICAN CAPITAL MARKETS TO EMERGING GROWTH COMPANIES ACT
Cloture motions
Enact (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Motions
Enact (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
REPEAL BIG OIL TAX SUBSIDIES ACT
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
———motion to proceed, [26MR]
Motions
Enact (S. 2204), [22MR], [27MR]
REPUBLICAN PARTY
Bills and resolutions
Taxation: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
RESEARCH *related term(s)* **SCIENCE; TECHNOLOGY**
Bills and resolutions
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
American Podiatric Medical Association: anniversary (see S. Res. 528), [24JY]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Dept. of Commerce: enable concrete masonry products manufacturers and importers to carry out coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets (see S. 3227), [23MY]
Dept. of Defense: require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment (see S. 3554), [19SE]
Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: improve asthma management, education, and research (see S. 3641), [27NO]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]

Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
Medicare: improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [26AP]
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
NIH: expand, intensify, and coordinate programs and activities relative to Tourette syndrome (see S. 2321), [19AP]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Pennsylvania State University: tribute to IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) to raise money for the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital Four Diamonds Fund (see S. Res. 411), [29MR]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Power resources: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Taxation: extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———make permanent and increase credit for increasing research activities and increase domestic production activities deduction for property for which research and development occurred in the U.S. (see S. 3307), [18JN]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), [5JN], [7JN], [12JN], [13JN], [20JN]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]
Great Ape Protection and Cost Savings Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 810) (S. Rept. 112–242), [30NO]
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]
Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3566), [19SE]
Research and Innovative Technology Administration Transportation Research and Development Reauthorization and Improvement: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1953) (S. Rept. 112–236), [13NO]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

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Reports filed
Research and Innovative Technology Administration Transportation Research and Development Reauthorization and Improvement: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1953) (S. Rept. 112–236), [13NO]

RHODE ISLAND
Bills and resolutions
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Reports filed
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]

RICCIONE, STEVEN B.
Reports filed
Corporal Steven Blaine Riccione Post Office, Geneva, NY: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2244), [25AP]

RICE UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 512), [27JN]

RIDE, SALLY K.
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]

RIO GRANDE DEL NORTE NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA ESTABLISHMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 667) (S. Rept. 112–113), [23JA]

RISCH, JAMES E. ***(a Senator from Idaho)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [29MR]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [12JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [29FE]
Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [19SE]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———provide for Indian trust asset management reform (see S. 3679), [13DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
———prevent expansion of U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S. 1506), [29MR]

———prohibit payment of surcharges for commemorative coin programs to private organizations or entities (see S. 3612), [21SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [14JN]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [26JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [5JN]
Federal agencies and departments: report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [12JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [18JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [29FE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [2AU]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to reporting requirements for interest on deposits maintained at U.S. financial institutions and paid to certain nonresident alien individuals (see S.J. Res. 40), [24MY]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [13JN]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [19JN]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [1AU]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [29NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [17MY]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [21MY] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [6JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [20JN]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [13FE]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [14MY]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [6MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [13JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [20JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]

RIVERS

Bills and resolutions

Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area: reauthorize (see S. 2267), [29MR]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
Reports filed
Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 322) (S. Rept. 112–108), [23JA]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]
Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]
Lower Mississippi River Area Study Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1325) (S. Rept. 112–125), [23JA]
Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Alaska: authorize establishment of a Niblack mining area road corridor (see S. 3330), [21JN]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
Motor vehicles: improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Taxation: extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Cloture motions
Transportation: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Transportation: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 264) (S. Rept. 112–106), [23JA]

ROBERTS, PAT ***(a Senator from Kansas)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [10MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [17AP]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Armed Forces: provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [23MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [25JN]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [19AP]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [25JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [27JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [8MY]
Dept. of HUD: authorize use of multifamily housing subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act as workforce residential housing (see S. 2035), [26JA]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [7JN]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [28FE]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [22MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26JN]
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [22MY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [21MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [13NO]
Government-sponsored enterprises: establish a term for conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and provide conditions for continued operations, wind down, and dissolution of such enterprises (see S. 693), [27JN]
———suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [13SE]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [12JY]

Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [26MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [23AP]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [24AP]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [13NO]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 504), (see S. 2173), [21JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [23AP]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371, 3221), [18JN]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [11SE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [23AP]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [17MY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [19SE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small business: preserve option for businesses to operate as they choose, including as flow-through entities, and oppose tax changes forcing such businesses to reorganize as C corporations (see S. Res. 88), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [20JN]
Taxation: extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [28JN]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [16JY]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [20JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War I: establish a commission to observe centennial and rededicate certain memorials as the National World War I Memorial and the National World War I Museum and Memorial (see S. 253), [16AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Clean Air Act: clarify a certain provision relative to prevention of accidental releases (see S. 3529), [11SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
EPA: standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]

ROBESON COUNTY, NC
Reports filed
Lumbee Recognition Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1218) (S. Rept. 112–200), [2AU]

ROCKEFELLER, JOHN D., IV *(a Senator from West Virginia)*
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [5OC], [23OC], [26OC]
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [26AP]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [26JA]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Business and industry: empower States to require online retailers to collect and remit State sales and use taxes (see S. 1832), [29MR]
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: establish and implement a birth defects prevention, risk reduction, and public awareness program (see S. 1131), [14NO]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [25AP]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [7MY]
———provide information to foster youth on their potential eligibility for Federal student aid (see S. 3665), [6DE]
———revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
———protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [17JY]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [18JY]
Drugs: make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug under the Controlled Substances Act (see S. 2297), [25JY]
Education: improve teacher and principal quality (see S. 1674), [14FE]
Families and domestic relations: strengthen families' engagement in the education of their children (see S. 941), [9MY]
Firearms: prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [20DE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 1133), [16JY]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation

agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [17AP]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [30JA]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [19SE]
Medicare: reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [10MY]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]
Tariff: carbaryl (see S. 2587), [7MY]
Taxation: facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations (see S. 816), [13FE]
———increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———modify depreciation recovery period for energy-efficient cool roof systems (see S. 1575), [26MR]
———modify rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations (see S. 593), [1MR]
———provide a tax incentive for installation and maintenance of mechanical insulation property (see S. 1526), [16FE]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 3364), [11JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [6FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [30JY]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [14JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
Census: acknowledge surveys and information derived from those surveys are crucial to national welfare (see S. Con. Res. 57), [2AU]
Dept. of Homeland Security: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Science: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Tariff: ferroniobium (see S. 2380), [26AP]
———imidacloprid (see S. 2385), [26AP]
———imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its b-cyfluthrin isomer mixtures (see S. 2384), [26AP]
———imidacloprid and thiodicarb mixtures (see S. 2381), [26AP]
———imidacloprid with application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2383), [26AP]
———manganese flake (see S. 2379), [26AP]
———methyl 4-(([(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H. 1.2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-amino)sulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2382), [26AP]
———penflufen (see S. 2386), [26AP]
———truck cabs (see S. 2529), [7MY]
———vacuum-grade ferroniobium or ferrocolombium (see S. 2378), [26AP]
Taxation: make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
Telephones: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills (see S. 3291), [13JN]
Cloture motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]
Coast Guard Appropriations: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1665) (S. Rept. 112–135), [26JA]
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Convey Real Property of NOAA in Ketchikan, AK: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1307) (S. Rept. 112–239), [14NO]
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
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Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [23JY]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [20JN]
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the U.S. from participating in the European Union emissions trading scheme (see S. 1956), [8MR]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
———provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests (see S. 102), [21MR]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [24MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [10JY]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [27NO]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [17MY]
Dept. of Education: award grants in order to establish longitudinal personal college readiness and savings online platforms for low-income students (see S. 2194), [15MR]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2092), [9FE]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [11JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [7FE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: implement a comprehensive border security plan to combat illegal immigration, drug and alien smuggling, and violent activity along the southwest border of the U.S. (see S. 803), [22MR]
Dept. of Justice: prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S. 968), [23JA]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
———provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
———require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review (see S. 3341), [26JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial (see S. 3202), [17MY]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [14MR]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [22MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Families and domestic relations: constitutional amendment on parental rights (see S.J. Res. 42), [6JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [12JN] (see S. 3394), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign aid: establish an interagency mechanism to coordinate U.S. development programs and private sector investment activities (see S. 3495), [2AU]
Foreign policy: establish guidelines for U.S. foreign assistance programs (see S. 3310), [19SE]
FRS: improve functioning and transparency of the Board of Governors and the Federal Open Market Committee (see S. 2247), [4DE]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [25JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: establish a term for conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and provide conditions for continued operations, wind down, and dissolution of such enterprises (see S. 693), [17MY]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [7FE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [21JN]
———repeal mandate that individuals purchase health insurance (see S. 19), [16JY]

Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [26JY]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [26MR]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
———provide penalties for individuals who engage in schemes to defraud aliens and increase awareness about such fraud (see S. 1336), [29MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [14FE]
———condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [10JY]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [6JN]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [27MR]
Labor unions: clarify the illegality of the use of violence to achieve objectives during a strike (see S. 3178), [15MY]
———protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Mental health: issue a semipostal stamp for research and demonstration projects relating to autism spectrum disorders (see S. 2472), [11JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [11JN]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
NATO: strengthen (see S. 2177), [22MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [10DE]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Payá Sardiñas, Oswaldo: tribute (see S. Res. 525), [24JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [11JY]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [21DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Roman, Agustin: tribute (see S. Res. 443), [26AP]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: amend relative to consumer confidence reports by community water systems (see S. 1578), [10JY]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [20MR]
Syria: condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [14MR]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———make permanent the individual income tax rates for capital gains and dividends (see S. 1647), [14MY]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [8MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [5JN]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [21MR]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [16MY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [19MR]
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Dept. of Agriculture: convey to Miami-Dade County, FL, federally owned land for construction of a fire station (see S. 3390), [17JY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
EPA: limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Miami Heat (basketball team): tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]
NLRB: permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3570), [19SE]
Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
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America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership: reauthorize in Iowa (see S. 2133), [27FE]
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Dept. of Agriculture: authorize loans to certain entities that will make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development (see S. 2216), [21MR]
———clarify maximum distance between Farm Service Agency county offices for purposes of the closure or relocation of a county office (see S. 3258), [4JN]
———establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———improve energy programs (see S. 2270), [29MR]
———improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
———reauthorize and improve the Rural Energy for America Program (see S. 2225), [22MR]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Dept. of Justice: issue a report on the Alaska Rural Justice and Law Enforcement Commission (see S. 3373), [11JY]
Dept. of the Interior: use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Housing: improve housing for educators, public safety officers, and medical providers, and their households (see S. 3278), [7JN]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [13SE]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
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International law: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 3406), [19JY]
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Public utilities: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
SAFEGUARDING AMERICAN AGRICULTURE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
SAFETY
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
———establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]
Coast Guard: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]
———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Controlled Substances Act: place synthetic drugs in Schedule I indicating high potential for abuse, no current accepted medical use, and lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision (see S. 3189, 3190), [16MY]
———prevent abuse of dextromethorphan (see S. 3376), [11JY]
Correctional institutions: eliminate conditions in foreign prisons and other detention facilities that do not meet minimum human standards of health, sanitation, and safety (see S. 3577), [19SE]
Courts: protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [17FE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Crime: encourage reporting of child abuse (see S. 3708), [21DE]
Dept. of Agriculture: provide Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
———develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
Dept. of HHS: ensure access to high-quality child care for homeless children and families under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3476), [1AU]

———improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———promulgate regulations on patient medication information to ensure patients receive consistent and high-quality information about prescription drugs (see S. 3212), [22MY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: establish regional training centers to improve the training of child protection professionals (see S. 3653), [4DE]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
Depts. of the Interior and Agriculture: expedite forest management projects relative to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development (see S. 3409), [19JY]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]
Disasters: enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
FDA: ensure continued research and development of drugs and medical devices for use in children (see S. 2289), [17AP]
———help prevent occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by imposing more stringent controls on the use of such devices (see S. 2301), [19AP]
———include devices in the postmarket risk identification and analysis system and expedite implementation of the unique device identification system for medical devices (see S. 2193), [15MR]
———permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
———promote accountability, transparency, innovation, efficiency, and timeliness (see S. 2292), [17AP]
———reduce regulatory burdens that unnecessarily delay new medical devices from reaching the market (see S. 2067), [2FE]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
———reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
———certify that the Yucca Mountain site remains the designated site for development of a repository for disposal of high-level radioactive waste (see S. 2176), [8MR]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Mining and mineral resources: improve occupational safety law compliance, empower workers to raise concerns, prevent workplace tragedies, and establish rights for workplace accident victims and families (see S. 3443), [25JY]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting or selling vehicles that are under manufacturer recall (see S. 3502), [2AU]
———prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Park Service: clarify responsibility for District of Columbia snow removal, transfer administrative jurisdiction for George Washington Memorial Parkway land, and provide uniform penalties for crimes on park land (see S. 3398), [18JY]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]
Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]
Power resources: streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [29MR]
Professional Boxing Safety Act: amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
———provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Cloture motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554), [17MY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2554) (S. Rept. 112–182), [12JY]
Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Commercial Seafood Consumer Protection Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 50) (S. Rept. 112–131), [26JA]
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Inquiry Into Counterfeit Electronic Parts in the Dept. of Defense Supply Chain: Committee on Armed Services (Senate) (S. Rept. 112–167), [21MY]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]

Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]
Safeguarding American Agriculture Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1673) (S. Rept. 112–240), [26NO]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Strengthening Protections for Children and Communities From Disease Clusters Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]
Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]

SALT LAKE CITY, UT
Bills and resolutions
Nuclear energy: tribute to NRC and Dept. of Energy for hosting of Third International Conference on Nuclear Power Plant Life Management in the U.S. (see S. Res. 454), [10MY]

SAN ANTONIO, TX
Reports filed
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]

SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK BOUNDARY EXPANSION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 114) (S. Rept. 112–103), [23JA]

SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CA
Bills and resolutions
Native Americans: make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians (see S. 3193), [16MY]
Reports filed
Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 3193) (S. Rept. 112–207), [10SE]

SAN FRANCISCO, CA
Bills and resolutions
Coins: mint in commemoration of the centennial of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Panama Canal (see S. 3517), [2AU]
San Francisco Giants (baseball team): tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]
Reports filed
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

SAN FRANCISCO BAY RESTORATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (BASEBALL TEAM)
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]

SAN JUAN COUNTY, NM
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, NM (see S. 3357), [28JN]

SANDERS, BERNARD *(a Senator from Vermont)*
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [14NO]
Attendance
Present, [26JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JN]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [27MR]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [26JY]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [5JN]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [23MY]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [21JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Best Buddies International, Inc.: provide assistance to support expansion and development of mentoring programs (see S. 1086), [16FE]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [19SE]
Children and youth: revise and extend programs to support planning, implementation, and evaluation of organized activities involving statewide youth suicide early intervention and prevention strategies (see S. 740), [19MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [8MY]
———restrict institutions of higher education from using Federal educational assistance funds for advertising, marketing, or recruiting purposes (see S. 2296), [23AP]
———review and improve regulation of proprietary or for-profit institutions (see S. 2032), [19MR]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [15NO]
Consumers: increase consumer protections for gift cards (see S. 3636), [3DE]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [19AP] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
———establish fair procedures for arbitration clauses (see S. 987), [21JN]
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require lender or servicer of a home mortgage, upon a request by the homeowner for a short sale, to make a prompt decision whether to allow the sale (see S. 2120), [5JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers (see S. 1850), [24JA]
———extend and improve the Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program (see S. 2126), [17FE]
Dept. of Defense: limit increases in certain costs of health care services under departmental health care programs (see S. 3203), [6JN]
Dept. of Education: establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———establish Eunice Kennedy Shriver Institutes for Sport and Social Impact (see S. 1086), [16FE]
———extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [15MY]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [2FE]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: improve the quality of infant and toddler care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 3436), [25JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [7FE]
Dept. of Justice: provide grants for juvenile mentoring (see S. 3328), [21JN]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [27MR]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [26JN]
———provide certain disabled veterans beneficiary travel program coverage for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation (see S. 1755), [28FE]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [18JY]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [26MR]
Developing countries: protect girls through prevention of child marriage (see S. 414), [13FE]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [15FE]
———strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet

medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [1AU]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [18JY]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [15MY]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [1AU]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [12MR]
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to house a National Women's History Museum (see S. 680), [31JA]
Hamilton College: anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]
Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [20SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [30JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [13NO]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [10JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [23MY]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [10SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
Native Americans: decrease incidence of violent crime against Indian women, strengthen capacity of tribes to respond to such crimes, and hold perpetrators accountable (see S. 1763), [22MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Occupational Safety and Health Act: expand coverage, increase protections for whistleblowers, and increase penalties for violators (see S. 1166), [8MY]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program: improve (see S. 1696), [26MR]
Public works: ensure that transportation and infrastructure projects using Federal financial assistance are constructed with steel, iron, and manufactured goods produced in the U.S. (see S. 2028), [13FE]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [22MR]
Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act: reauthorize (see S. 1086), [16FE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [14NO]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [15MY]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [22MR]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [10SE]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [25JN]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [5MR]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [13FE]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [2AU]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [7MR]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [23JA]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
———secure the Federal voting rights of certain qualified ex-offenders who have served their sentences (see S. 2017), [16FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [18AP]
Water for the Poor Act: enhance implementation (see S. 641), [13FE]
Wildlife: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
Women: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [13NO]
———remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [26MR]
World War II: ensure that U.S. courts provide a forum for claims brought against any railroad arising from the deportation of individuals to Nazi concentration camps (see S. 634), [11SE]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [12MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Dept. of Labor: establish an Employee Ownership and Participation Initiative (see S. 3421), [23JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
FRS: restrict conflicts of interest on the boards of directors of Federal Reserve banks (see S. 3219), [22MY]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Power resources: eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), [12SE]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Taxation: reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]

SAVE MORE TOMORROW ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3175), [14MY]

SCHILLER, RHETT W.
Bills and resolutions
Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office, Waterford, WI: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]

SCHMID, MICHAEL
Appointments
Congressional Award Board, [21MY]

SCHNEIDER, KYLE
Bills and resolutions
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building, Baldwinsville, NY: designate (see S. 3435), [25JY]

SCHOOLS *related term(s)* **EDUCATION**
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment

of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]
———establish a grant program for automated external defibrillators in schools (see S. 2106), [14FE]
———establish national program for arts and technology (see S. 2263), [29MR]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Dept. of Justice: strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
———improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: improve (see S. 3472, 3478), [1AU]
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [11JY]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
Motions
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]
Reports filed
Albuquerque, NM, Federal Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3370), [1AU]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]
Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1252) (S. Rept. 112–262), [21DE]
SCHUMER, CHARLES E. ***(a Senator from New York)***
Appointments
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint), [5MR]
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JY]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [23JY]
Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: preserve the Arctic coastal plain as wilderness (see S. 33), [30JY]
Armed Forces: modify per-fiscal year calculation of days of certain active duty or service used to reduce minimum age at which Reserve component members may retire for non-regular service (see S. 866), [18JN]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [19MR]
Army: provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [25JN]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Business and industry: promote industry growth and competitiveness and improve worker training, retention, and advancement (see S. 665), [23JA]
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [26JY]
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: establish and implement a birth defects prevention, risk reduction, and public awareness program (see S. 1131), [29MR]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Children and youth: permit disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations (see S. 225), [31JY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [5JN]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [19AP]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [18JN]
Corporal Kyle Schneider Post Office Building, Baldwinsville, NY: designate (see S. 3435), [11SE]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [27NO]
———prevent termination of temporary bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts (see S. 1821), [16AP]
———protect State and local witnesses from tampering and retaliation (see S. 2127), [27FE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [15NO]
Credit: exclude from consumer credit reports medical debt that has been in collection and has been fully paid or settled (see S. 2149), [1MR]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit and deter theft of metal (see S. 3631), [26NO]
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [20MR] (see S. 2343), [7MY]
———support Promise Neighborhoods (see S. 1004), [27FE]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [21SE]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [18JN]
———increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [21SE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [27FE]
Dept. of Justice: extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [20SE]
Dept. of Labor: provide grants to the National Urban League for an Urban Jobs Program (see S. 922), [8MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3429), [25JY] (see S. 3457), [10SE]
———require provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all departmental medical centers (see S. 1147), [29MR]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [27JN]
Diseases: improve diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (see S. 1167), [1MR]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [22MR]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
———retool manufacturers for clean energy production, provide worker training and tax credits for value-added agriculture investments, expand broadband access, and extend Build America Bonds program (see S. 1895), [1FE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria

in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Families and domestic relations: prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [29FE]
FDA: improve priority review voucher incentive program for expedited review of treatments for tropical and rare pediatric diseases (see S. 606), [29MR]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [21SE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [10SE]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [20MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [16FE]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [12SE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Immigration: permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [28JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [8MY]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [20JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [23MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: count a period of outpatient observation in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services (see S. 818), [21DE]
———recognize attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients (see S. 891), [21SE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [11DE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [21MY]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [21SE]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [13FE]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [19JN]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing (see S. 886), [21JN]
Syria: impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [14MY]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [14NO]
———increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [13NO]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [15MY]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [7JN]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [17AP]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [12JN] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Telephones: restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property (see S. 543), [5DE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [30JA]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [10JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of rotunda and Emancipation Hall for Presidential inauguration ceremonies (see S. Con. Res. 36), [1MR]
Coast Guard: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (Joint): establish (see S. Con. Res. 35), [1MR]
Committee on the Library (Joint): accept a statue depicting Frederick Douglass from the District of Columbia and display the statue in a suitable location in the Capitol (see S. Con. Res. 49), [21JN]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Dept. of Education: make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [11SE]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
Hamilton College: anniversary (see S. Res. 478), [5JN]
Immigration: enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act: clarify applicability to condominiums (see S. 3499), [2AU]
Medicare: allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
Motor vehicles: prevent car and truck rental companies from renting vehicles that contain a defect related to vehicle safety (see S. 3706), [21DE]
National Public Higher Education Day: designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]
New York, NY: establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center (see S. 2203), [19MR]
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Pharmaceuticals: prohibit prescription drug price-gouging during states of market shortage (see S. 3622), [21SE]

Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Tariff: acetamiprid, whether or not combined with application adjuvants (see S. 2430), [26AP]
———adjustable metal lighting fixtures (see S. 2422), [26AP]
———aluminum lamp-holder housings (see S. 2415), [26AP]
———anatase titanium dioxide (see S. 2457), [26AP]
———brass lamp-holder housings (see S. 2416), [26AP]
———ceramic bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps with metal locking pins to allow passage of an electrical current (see S. 2850), [8MY]
———ceramic frit rings (see S. 2444), [26AP]
———cermets for ceramic discharge lamps (see S. 2848), [8MY]
———cis-3-hexen-1-ol (see S. 2431), [26AP]
———C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene (see S. 2435), [26AP]
———cyanuric chloride (see S. 2436), [26AP]
———cyflufenamid (see S. 2428), [26AP]
———digital camera lenses (see S. 2408, 2412), [26AP]
———electrical connectors (see S. 2418), [26AP]
———frit rings composed of dysprosium oxide, dysprosium monosilicate, and mullite (see S. 2849), [8MY]
———gallium unwrought (see S. 2460), [26AP]
———germanium oxides (see S. 2459), [26AP]
———germanium unwrought (see S. 2458), [26AP]
———helional (see S. 2432), [26AP]
———imitation jewelry earrings (see S. 2454), [26AP]
———imitation jewelry necklaces or bracelets (see S. 2455), [26AP]
———instant print film for analog photography (see S. 2427), [26AP]
———lightweight digital camera lenses (see S. 2409, 2410, 2411), [26AP]
———low expansion laboratory glassware (see S. 2462), [26AP]
———low expansion stoppers, lids, and other closures (see S. 2461), [26AP]
———magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid (see S. 2434), [26AP]
———magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid (see S. 2433), [26AP]
———metal iodide pellets (see S. 2445), [26AP]
———metal screw type bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2845), [8MY]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline), 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt (zinc pyrithione) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2424), [26AP]
———n-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2425), [26AP]
———necklaces or bracelets, other than those containing jadeites or rubies (see S. 2453), [26AP]
———nightlights made of plastic (see S. 2423), [26AP]
———n-propyl gallate (see S. 2440), [26AP]
———occupancy sensors (see S. 2417), [26AP]
———PCBTF (see S. 2843), [8MY]
———PCBTF with acid acceptor (see S. 2842), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antioxidant (see S. 2841), [8MY]
———PCBTF with antistatic (see S. 2852), [8MY]
———PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor (see S. 2844), [8MY]
———plastic lamp-holder housings (see S. 2413), [26AP]
———polycrystalline alumina discharge tubes prefilled with metal halide salts and designated for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2851), [8MY]
———polycrystalline alumina tubes and shaped bodies designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2847), [8MY]
———porcelain lamp-holder housings (see S. 2414), [26AP]
———potassium sorbate (see S. 2439), [26AP]
———preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium (see S. 2846), [8MY]
———p-toluenesulfonamide (see S. 2426), [26AP]
———sodium ferrocyanide (see S. 2443), [26AP]
———sodium hypophosphite monohydrate (see S. 2437), (see S. 2456), [26AP]
———sorbic acid (see S. 2438), [26AP]
———surge protectors (see S. 2420), [26AP]
———tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters (see S. 2421), [26AP]
———tebufenozide (see S. 2429), [26AP]
———thiourea dioxide (see S. 2441), [26AP]
———time switches (see S. 2419), [26AP]
———12-hydroxystearic acid (see S. 2442), [26AP]
———women's belts of leather or composition leather (see S. 2452), [26AP]
———women's footwear (see S. 2448, 2451), [26AP]
———women's leather footwear with non-pigskin uppers (see S. 2446, 2447), [26AP]
———women's nonenumerated footwear (see S. 2449), [26AP]
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Taxation: extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [6JN]
———provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
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Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [21MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
SCIENCE *related term(s)* **ENGINEERING; MATHEMATICS; RESEARCH; TECHNOLOGY**
Bills and resolutions
American Innovation Bank: establish to improve science and technology job training and to authorize grants for curriculum development (see S. 2369), [25AP]
Arctic Ocean: provide for research, monitoring, and observation (see S. 2147), [1MR] (see S. 2154), [5MR] (see S. 3613), [21SE]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560, 3566), [19SE]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]
FDA: expedite development, evaluation, and approval of breakthrough drugs (see S. 2236), [26MR]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Forensics: establish scientific standards and protocols across forensic disciplines (see S. 3378), [12JY]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]

National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
———recognition of Robert J. Lefkowitz for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
NSF: anniversary of Graduate Research Fellowship Program (see S. Res. 610), [5DE]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Science, Depts. of Justice and Commerce, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2323), [19AP]
Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [19AP]
Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
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SCORE PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3246), [24MY]

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Bills and resolutions
Pennsylvania: reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor (see S. 2131), [27FE]

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Senate Legal Counsel: authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in U.S. v. Richard F. (Dickie) Scruggs (see S. Res. 403), [21MR]

SEATTLE, WA
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SECURE AND FAIR ENFORCEMENT FOR (S.A.F.E.) MORTGAGE LICENSING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Credit: provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]

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Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
CFTC: require a regulation to limit the aggregate positions of nontraditional bona fide hedgers in petroleum and related products (see S. 2238), [27MR]
———take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [21MR]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: establish U.S. Employee Ownership Bank (see S. 3419), [23JY]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
Government regulations: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
———provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
SEC: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
———require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [7FE]
———end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
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Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
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Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
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Government regulations: enhance civil penalties under Federal securities laws (see S. 3416), [23JY]
———improve consideration of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (see S. 2373), [26AP]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
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Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION ACT
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MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]

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———end the unconstitutional delegation of legislative power and direct GAO to issue a report detailing the extent of such delegation in order to phase it out (see S. 3361), [28JN]
———preserve constitutional authority and ensure accountability and transparency in legislation (see S. 3360), [28JN]
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Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [7MR]
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Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
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———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [20SE]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of HHS: define care coordination under the Older Americans Act, include care coordination as a fully restorative service, and detail such departmental functions (see S. 3465), [1AU]
———develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
———provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of Justice: dedicate funds from the Crime Victims Fund to victims of elder abuse (see S. 3294), [14JN] (see S. 3490), [2AU]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Domestic policy: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
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———provide for outreach and coordination of services to veterans (see S. 3619), [21SE]
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Health: expand and support strong home care workforce and make long-term services and supports affordable and accessible for seniors and individuals with disabilities (see S. Res. 453), [10MY]
———improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
Homosexuality: provide equal treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older individuals (see S. 3575), [19SE]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
———establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]

———provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
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Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Social Security: extend solvency of the trust funds by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
———improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
SSA: perform process for closure of field offices (see S. 3489), [2AU]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
———rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
Cloture motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
Motions
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
Reports filed
Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia—Comparison of International Approaches: Committee on Aging (Senate, Special) (S. Rept. 112–254), [19DE]
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Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
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SERVICEMEMBER EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION ACT
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Enact (see S. 3236), [24MY]
SERVICEMEMBERS ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3233), [23MY]
SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve protections for servicemembers against mortgage foreclosures (see S. 3323), [20JN]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
SERVICEMEMBERS RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2299), [18AP]
SESSIONS, JEFF ***(a Senator from Alabama)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [29MR]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Commerce: produce, with other relevant agencies, a report on enhancing the competitiveness of the U.S. in attracting foreign direct investments (see S. 3274), [7JN]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
———replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Education: enhance criminal penalties for individuals who file Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) certification petition under false pretenses and prohibit certain schools from participating in program (see S. 3527), [19SE]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [31JY]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [6JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [19DE]
Federal agencies and departments: strengthen employee cost savings suggestion programs (see S. 2085), [26MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [19SE]
Government regulations: impose certain limitations on consent decrees and settlement agreements by agencies that require the agencies to take regulatory action in accordance with the terms thereof (see S. 3382), [2AU]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International AIDS Conference: support and encourage global HIV/AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs (see S. Res. 532), [26JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [11JN]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [26AP]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]

National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [18JY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units (see S. 1843), [30JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [9FE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: amend relative to consumer confidence reports by community water systems (see S. 1578), [2MR]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: clarify eligibility for the child tax credit (see S. 577), [16MY]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [10MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [11JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [6MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [12MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Budget: setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP]
Dept. of HHS: provide for a national campaign to increase public awareness and knowledge of congenital diaphragmatic hernia (see S. 3396), [18JY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
SEWAGE DISPOSAL *related term(s)* **REFUSE DISPOSAL**
Bills and resolutions
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
Water pollution: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
SEXUAL HARASSMENT
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
SHAHEEN, JEANNE ***(a Senator from New Hampshire)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [22MY]
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Reading of George Washington's farewell address, [14FE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [22MR]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [17AP]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [22MY]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [9JY]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 1984), [8MY] (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [20SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Defense: support programs providing pro bono legal assistance to members of the Armed Forces (see S. 1106), [30JA]
Dept. of HHS: clarify standards relative to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification (see S. 3391), [17JY]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [31JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [8MR]
———reduce preterm labor, delivery, and risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity (see S. 1440), [16JY]
Dept. of Homeland Security: modify requirements for the visa waiver program (see S. 2046), [14MY]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [27MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [26JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [30JY]
Diseases: establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner (see S. 752), [9MY]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [27NO]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [13MR]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [14MY]
———improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [23JA]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Girl Scouts: anniversary (see S. Res. 310), [30JA]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Havel, Vaclav: tribute (see S. Con. Res. 34), [30JA]
Health: extend health information technology assistance eligibility to behavioral health, mental health, and substance abuse professionals and facilities (see S. 539), [28JN]
———make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [21DE]
Immigration: allow U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to sponsor their permanent partners for U.S. residence (see S. 821), [26JA]
———cancel removal and adjust status of certain long-term resident alien students (see S. 952), [29JN]

———permit certain alien elementary and secondary school students to attend U.S. public schools if such aliens reimburse the local educational agency for the cost of providing education (see S. 823), [3DE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [25JY]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [21SE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [19AP]
Italy: recognize anniversary of unification, honor Italian servicemen, and reaffirm friendship with the U.S. (see S. Res. 394), [12MR]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Law enforcement: reduce the rape kit forensic analysis backlog (see S. 254), [15NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [10JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [23JY]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [16JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
NATO: honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
———require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures (see S. 1360), [24JA]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Schools: provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary and secondary school buildings and community colleges (see S. 1597), [19MR]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small business: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [19SE]
Tariff: footwear (see S. 1069), [11SE]
———recreational performance outerwear (see S. 704), [1AU]
Taxation: allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past due (see S. 755), [13NO]
———exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [11JY]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [13SE]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [23JY]
———increase and make permanent the alternative simplified research credit (see S. 1577), [19JY]
———modify incentives for production of biodiesel (see S. 1277), [31JA]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [6JN]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [4DE]
Travel and tourism: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [8MY] (see S. 3199), [17MY]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [25JN]
Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [9FE]
Women: constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 21), [16AP]
———ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
———promote media literacy and youth empowerment programs, authorize research on role and impact of depictions of girls and women in the media, and establish National Task Force on Girls and Women in the Media (see S. 1354), [24JA]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [13MR]
Year of the Girl: designate (see S. Res. 310), [30JA]
Bills and resolutions introduced
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
Diseases: foster more effective implementation and coordination of clinical care for people with pre-diabetes and diabetes (see S. 3430), [25JY]
Federal agencies and departments: report to Congress about refusal to implement certain recommendations for reimbursement by inefficient or wasteful Afghanistan reconstruction contractors (see S. 3505), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
Tariff: bitolylene diisocyanate (see S. 2391), [26AP]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
———improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]

SHARPSBURG, MD
Bills and resolutions
Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of Maryland Campaign (see S. Res. 560), [19SE]

SHEA, DENNIS C.
Appointments
U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, [19DE]

SHELBY, RICHARD C. ***(a Senator from Alabama)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [22MR]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [26JY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Flood Disaster Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3677), [12DE]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [2AU]
———require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
———treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [9FE] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Health: repeal mandate that employers provide health insurance for employees (see S. 20), [24JA]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [17MY]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [27JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 1507), [13JN] (see S. 2173), [11JY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [24AP]
Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [20JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [16MY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]
Cloture motions
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]

SHIPPING INDUSTRY *related term(s)* **CARGO TRANSPORTATION; SHIPS AND VESSELS**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Reports filed
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]

SHIPS AND VESSELS *related term(s)* **MERCHANT MARINE INDUSTRY**
Bills and resolutions
Coast Guard: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Syria: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
Tariff: cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2915), [8MY]
———pistons for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2911), [8MY]
Titanic (R.M.S.): provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Water: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
Reports filed
America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]
Coast Guard Appropriations: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1665) (S. Rept. 112–135), [26JA]
Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 46) (S. Rept. 112–210), [12SE]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]
International Fisheries Stewardship and Enforcement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 52) (S. Rept. 112–132), [26JA]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2388) (S. Rept. 112–256), [19DE]
R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]

SHOE INDUSTRY
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper (see S. 2883), [8MY]
———footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type (see S. 3068), [9MY]
———men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3037, 3039), [9MY]
———men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3036, 3038), [9MY]
———men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3041, 3042), [9MY]
———men's leathered footwear (see S. 3056, 3058), [9MY]

———ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots (see S. 2302), [19AP]
———sports footwear (see S. 3069), [9MY]
———sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials (see S. 3065), [9MY]
———sports footwear for persons other than men or women (see S. 2399), [26AP]
———sports footwear with cleats (see S. 3066, 3067), [9MY]
———sports footwear with spikes for men (see S. 2400, 2402), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for persons other than men (see S. 2403), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
———vulcanized rubber felt-bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2879), [8MY]
———vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2880), [8MY]
———women's footwear (see S. 2448, 2451), [26AP]
———women's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3043), [9MY]
———women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3040), [9MY]
———women's leather footwear with non-pigskin uppers (see S. 2446, 2447), [26AP]
———women's leathered footwear (see S. 3055, 3057), [9MY]
———women's nonenumerated footwear (see S. 2449), [26AP]
———women's nonenumerated footwear with textile uppers (see S. 2450), [26AP]

SILVER CITY, SD

Bills and resolutions

Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]

SILVER STAR SERVICE BANNER DAY

Bills and resolutions

Designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]

SKAGIT COUNTY, WA

Reports filed

Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]

SLEEPING BEAR DUNES NATIONAL LAKESHORE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION ACT

Reports filed

Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

SMALL BUSINESS *related term(s)* **BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY**

Bills and resolutions

Agriculture: restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits to farmers (see S. 2217), [21MR]
Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
———make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]
Business and industry: establish a pilot program to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation by partnering world-class entrepreneurs with Federal agencies (see S. 3222), [22MY]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Contracts: modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
———treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [19JY]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
EPA: standardize definition of the term ''small business refiner'' for purposes of administered laws (see S. 3379), [12JY]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Foreign trade: encourage exporting (see S. 3277), [7JN]
———enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 2171), [7MR]
———improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
FRS: require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
Government regulations: provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
IRS: permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
———enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program (see S. 3253), [24MY]
———ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
———establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
———establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
———establish an Office of Entrepreneurial Support (see S. 3638), [26NO]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
———reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
———strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
———submit a National Small Business Index to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
Securities: provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities (see S. 2190), [13MR]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): improve (see S. 3246), [24MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small Business Investment Act: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
———remove sunset date for amendments (see S. 2187), [12MR]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Taxation: exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
———permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
———provide expensing for small businesses (see S. 2284), [16AP]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]

Cloture motions

Economy: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain

annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
Motions
Economy: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), [23JY], [24JY], [25JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]
Reports filed
Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]

SMALL BUSINESS ACT
Bills and resolutions
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
SBA: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
Small business: modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
———provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Brevard County, FL: ensure treatment as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Community development: expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
Disasters: clarify collateral requirement for certain disaster-related loans (see S. 3672), [12DE] (see S. 3681), [13DE]
Education: strengthen entrepreneurial education (see S. 3214), [22MY]
Employment: establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
Federal aid programs: establish a small business common application and web portal for purposes of Federal small business assistance programs (see S. 3194), [16MY]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
National Small Business Index: submit to Congress to assess how policies provide incentives or impediments to small business development (see S. 3200), [17MY]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
Office of Entrepreneurial Support: establish (see S. 3638), [26NO]
Real estate: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): improve (see S. 3246), [24MY]
———strengthen entrepreneurial resources (see S. 3508), [2AU]
Small business: improve coordination of export promotion programs and facilitate export opportunities (see S. 3218), [22MY]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
———modify goals for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns (see S. 3213), [22MY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Small Business Investment Act: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
Small Business Investment Company Program: enhance (see S. 3253), [24MY]
Women: remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Women's business center program: reauthorize (see S. 3197), [17MY]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]

SMALL BUSINESS COMMON APPLICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3194), [16MY]

SMALL BUSINESS ELECTION SIMPLIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2271), [29MR]

SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Amendments: remove sunset date (see S. 2187), [12MR]
Investments: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
SBA: enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program (see S. 3253), [24MY]
Small business: provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]

SMALL BUSINESS JOBS AND TAX RELIEF ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2237), [26MR]
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———motion to proceed, [29JN], [10JY], [16JY]
Motions
Enact (S. 2237), [25JN], [26JN], [27JN], [28JN], [29JN], [9JY], [10JY], [12JY]

SMALL BUSINESS REORGANIZATION EFFICIENCY AND CLARITY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2370), [24MY]

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]

SMALL BUSINESS START-UP SUPPORT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2088), [9FE]

SMALL BUSINESS TAX EXTENDERS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2050), [31JA]

SMALL BUSINESS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2291), [17AP]

SMALL PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY OPPORTUNITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3538), [13SE]

SMITH, JAMES E.
Prayers
Senate, [26JA]

SMITH, SEAN
Bills and resolutions
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
Bills and resolutions
Barrett, Barbara: appoint as citizen regent of Smithsonian Institution Board of Regents (see S.J. Res. 49), [1AU]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]

SNOWE, OLYMPIA J. ***(a Senator from Maine)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13NO]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
———prohibit issuance of a waiver for commissioning or enlistment for any individual convicted of a felony sexual offense (see S. 2137), [19JY]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [7JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
Bailey, Jonathan W.: tribute (see S. Res. 559), [19SE]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [12JY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 1984), [16AP] (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of Education: amend the Small, Rural School Achievement Program and the Rural and Low-Income School Program (see S. 567), [23JA]
———establish an awards program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education (see S. 547), [23JA]
———improve and expand geographic literacy among students by improving professional development pro-

grams for teachers offered through institutions of higher education (see S. 434), [12JY]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [9FE]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish an open burn pit registry to ensure that Armed Forces members exposed to toxic chemicals and fumes in Afghanistan or Iraq receive information regarding such exposure (see S. 1798), [14FE]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [26JN]
District of Columbia: authorize Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work (see S. 1421), [27FE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [7JN]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27MR]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign aid: improve access to microfinance and microenterprise programs (see S. 2027), [13JN]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [23MY]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [10JY]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
Medicare/Medicaid: curb waste, fraud, and abuse (see S. 1251), [28JN]
Members of Congress: prohibit receipt of pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which a concurrent budget resolution and regular appropriations bills have not been approved (see S. 1981), [27FE]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honor military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [19SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [18JY]
Safe Drinking Water Act: amend relative to consumer confidence reports by community water systems (see S. 1578), [21MY]
SBA: enhance the Small Business Investment Company Program (see S. 3253), [24MY]
———expand the HUBZone program for communities affected by defense base realignment and closure (see S. 3675), [12DE]
———improve entrepreneurial development programs (see S. 3198), [17MY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Small Business Investment Act: increase maximum amount of leverage permitted (see S. 2136), [28FE]
———remove sunset date for amendments (see S. 2187), [15MR]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [31JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Taxation: exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights for small businesses (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [13NO]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [19SE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [18DE]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [19JY]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [11JY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans: issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [13MR]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [11JN]
World Peace Corps Mission: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Dept. of Defense: reassert the proper role of Congress in closing or realigning military installations (see S. 3663), [6DE]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Kittery, ME: tribute to firefighters and emergency response personnel who responded to fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (see S. Res. 488), [7JN]
National Veterans Business Development Corp.: terminate Federal authorization (see S. 3281), [7JN]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [25AP]

———reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) (organization): improve (see S. 3246), [24MY]
Small business: provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Taxation: extend certain Creating Small Business Jobs Act provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]

SOCIAL SECURITY *related term(s)* **PUBLIC WELFARE PROGRAMS**
Bills and resolutions
Benefits: improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of HHS: develop a national model disclosure form to assist consumers in purchasing long-term care insurance (see S. 3229), [23MY]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
Dept. of Justice: provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
Economy: provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
Education: reform graduate medical education payments (see S. 3201), [17MY]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
———provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Medicare: allow chiropractors to provide items and services through private contracts (see S. 2304), [19AP]
———allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1FE]
———eliminate sustainable growth rate system to ensure access to physicians' services for beneficiaries (see S. 3337), [25JN]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
———establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [7MY]
———improve benefits for individuals with kidney disease (see S. 2163), [6MR]
———include information on obesity coverage in the Medicare and You Handbook, notify beneficiaries and providers of coverage of behavioral therapy for obesity, and coordinate programs to prevent and treat obesity (see S. 3699), [20DE]
———include screening computed tomography colonography as a colorectal screening test (see S. 2265), [29MR]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
———provide all beneficiaries with the right to guaranteed issue of a supplemental policy (see S. 3271), [7JN]
———provide beneficiaries greater choice with regard to accessing hearing health services and benefits (see S. 3242), [24MY]
———provide comprehensive cancer care planning coverage and grant programs for provider education (see S. 2097), [9FE]
———provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
Medicare/Medicaid: implement prescriber education programs and establish requirements for administration of antipsychotics to residents of skilled nursing facilities (see S. 3604), [20SE]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 2037), [26JA] (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
———provide higher-quality, lower-cost health care to seniors (see S. 2196), [15MR]
SSA: perform process for closure of field offices (see S. 3489), [2AU]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [1MR]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Taxation: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———extend the payroll tax holiday and provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employees (see S. 3660), [5DE]
Trust funds: extend solvency by increasing the normal and early retirement ages and modifying the cost-of-living adjustments in benefits (see S. 3533), [12SE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
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Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Field offices: perform process for closure (see S. 3489), [2AU]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]

SOLAR ENERGY *related term(s)* **POWER RESOURCES**
Bills and resolutions
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Reports filed
10 Million Solar Roofs Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT
Bills and resolutions
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]

SOMALIA
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Somalia: President Obama, [23JY]

SOMERSET COUNTY, PA
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]

SOUTH AMERICA
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Messages
Tax Convention With Chile: President Obama, [17MY]
Reports filed
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]

SOUTH CAROLINA
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Homeland Security: provide for a land exchange with the South Carolina State Ports Authority (see S. 2061), [1FE]
Dept. of the Interior: include areas off the coast of South Carolina in the Outer Continental Shelf leasing program (see S. 3284), [11JN]

Reports filed
Former Charleston Naval Base Land Exchange Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2061) (S. Rept. 112–171), [24MY]

SOUTH DAKOTA
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System: facilitate completion (see S. 3464), [31JY]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Reports filed
Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]

SOUTH SUDAN, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Messages
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Designation for South Sudan: President Obama, [26MR]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]

SOUTH UTAH VALLEY ELECTRIC CONVEYANCE ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (H.R. 461) (S. Rept. 112–130), [23JA]
———Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 500) (S. Rept. 112–111), [23JA]

SOUTHEAST ASIA
Bills and resolutions
Oceans: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Burma: President Obama, [11JY]
National Emergency Relative to Burma: President Obama, [17MY]

SPACE POLICY *related term(s)* **NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**
Bills and resolutions
Foreign trade: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
SBA: ensure treatment of Brevard County, FL, as a HUBZone (see S. 2157), [6MR]

SPECIAL DAYS AND HOLIDAYS
Bills and resolutions
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 474), [24MY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Campus Fire Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 549), [11SE]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Children's Grief Awareness Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 590), [13NO]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Collector Car Appreciation Day: designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]
Day of the Deployed: designate (see S. Res. 581), [21SE]
Dia de los Niños—Celebrating Young Americans: designate (see S. Res. 432), [24AP]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Gold Star Wives Day: designate (see S. Res. 420), [17AP]
Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [12JN]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [14NO]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Aphasia Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 503), [25JN]
National Arbor Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 442), [26AP]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [29MR]
National Celiac Disease Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 550), [11SE]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
National Child Abuse Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 433), [24AP]
National Child Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 522), [16JY]
National Convenient Care Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 540), [1AU]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Day on Writing: designate (see S. Res. 565), [19SE]
National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 548), [11SE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Falls Prevention Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 553), [12SE]
National Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 536), [1AU]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [16MY]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Hunger Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 484), [6JN]
National Infant Mortality Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 586), [21SE]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Men's Health Week: observance (see S. Res. 501), [20JN]
National Mentoring Month: designate (see S. Res. 367), [2FE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
National MPS Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 450), [9MY]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: designate (see S. Res. 603), [29NO]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Parents as Teachers Day: designate (see S. Res. 570), [19SE]
National Pediatric Stroke Awareness Month: observance (see S. Res. 468), [21MY]
National Phenylketonuria Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 563), [19SE]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Public Higher Education Day: designate (see S. Res. 384), [29FE]
National Public Works Week: designate (see S. Res. 460), [15MY]
National Registered Apprenticeship Month: designate (see S. Res. 530), [26JY]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
National Save for Retirement Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 555), [13SE]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Small Business Week: observance (see S. Res. 469), [21MY]

National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
National Work and Family Month: designate (see S. Res. 533), [30JY]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 495), [18JN]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Rare Disease Day: designate (see S. Res. 383), [29FE]
Read Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 382), [29FE]
Red Ribbon Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 578), [21SE]
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Silver Star Service Banner Day: designate (see S. Res. 445), [26AP]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]
Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]
Washington's Birthday: provide for observance on February 22, rather than the third Monday in February, of each year (see S. 2052), [31JA]
Week of the Young Child: designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
Reports filed
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
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SPECTER, ARLEN *(a former Senator from Pennsylvania)*
Bills and resolutions relative to
Tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]

SPENCER, REBECCA
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SPENDING REDUCTIONS THROUGH INNOVATIONS IN THERAPIES AGENDA (SPRINT) ACT
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SPINAL CORD INJURY AWARENESS MONTH
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Designate (see S. Res. 521), [16JY]

SPORT FISH RESTORATION AND RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]

SPORTS
Bills and resolutions
African Americans: recognize the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues and support designation and mission of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO (see S. Res. 508), [26JN]
Anchorage, AK: tribute to Nunaka Valley Little League junior girls softball team (see S. Res. 571), [20SE]
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]
Boston College: tribute to men's ice hockey team (see S. Res. 437), [25AP]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
Drugs: more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Los Angeles Kings (hockey team): tribute (see S. Res. 497), [19JN]
Loyola University Maryland: tribute to men's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 514), [28JN]
Major League Baseball: recognize Kansas City, MO, as host city of the All-Star Game and baseball-related events benefiting charities and fan appreciation (see S. Res. 509), [26JN]
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]
Miami Heat (basketball team): tribute (see S. Res. 507), [26JN]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [26JA]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
New York Giants (football team): tribute (see S. Res. 369), [7FE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
North Dakota State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 353), [24JA]
Northwestern University: tribute to women's lacrosse team (see S. Res. 517), [29JN]
Olympic Games: commemorate the success of Team USA in the past 25 Olympic Games and support Team USA in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games (see S. Res. 531), [26JY]
———discourage ambush marketing by entities that adversely effect the ability of Team USA to attract sponsorships (see S. Res. 487), [7JN]
———require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
———tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Paralympic Games: tribute to Nevada participants (see S. Res. 558), [13SE]
Pittsburg State University: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 363), [31JA]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [10MY]
Professional Boxing Safety Act: amend (see S. 3306), [18JN]
Public lands: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
San Francisco Giants (baseball team): tribute (see S. Res. 598), [15NO]
Tariff: basketballs made of leather (see S. 2797), [7MY]
———basketballs made of other than leather or rubber (see S. 2798), [7MY]
———basketballs made of rubber (see S. 2799), [7MY]
———clarify classification of recreational performance outerwear (see S. 3073), [9MY]
———fairway wood heads (see S. 2809), [7MY]
———fitness equipment (see S. 3184), [15MY]
———golf bag bodies (see S. 2872), [8MY]
———golf club driver heads (see S. 2808), [7MY]
———golf club iron heads (see S. 2810), [7MY]
———golf club putter heads (see S. 2575), [7MY]
———golf wedge club heads (see S. 2811), [7MY]
———hybrid golf club heads (see S. 2812), [7MY]
———ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots (see S. 2302), [19AP]
———sports footwear (see S. 3069), [9MY]
———sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials (see S. 3065), [9MY]
———sports footwear for persons other than men or women (see S. 2399), [26AP]
———sports footwear with cleats (see S. 3066, 3067), [9MY]
———sports footwear with spikes for men (see S. 2400, 2402), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for persons other than men (see S. 2403), [26AP]
———sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
———volleyballs (see S. 2800), [7MY]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]
U.S. Boxing Commission: establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
University of Kentucky: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 422), [17AP]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
Wildlife: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
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———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Wildlife: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE]
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America's Cup Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1759) (S. Rept. 112–246), [5DE]

Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 526) (S. Rept. 112–112), [23JA]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]

SPORTSMEN'S ACT
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Enact (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
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Motions
Enact (S. 3525), [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
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Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]

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Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for St. Kitts and Nevis: President Obama, [20DE]

STABENOW, DEBBIE ***(a Senator from Michigan)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agriculture: provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [11JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [19JY]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [5JN]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [10MY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: anniversary (see S. Res. 458), [10MY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [25AP]
———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [19SE]
Dept. of HHS: assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care (see S. 1878), [8MY]
———improve health of children, reduce occurrence of sudden unexpected infant death, and enhance public health activities relative to stillbirth (see S. 1862), [19SE]
———provide grants for community-based mental health infrastructure improvements (see S. 2256), [29MR]
Dept. of the Treasury: transfer proceeds from the sale of Government stock in General Motors Corp., to fund pension benefits for former Delphi Corp., employees (see S. 3544), [13SE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [10SE]
Diseases: establish a comprehensive interagency response to reduce lung cancer mortality in a timely manner (see S. 752), [23JA]
———improve diagnosis and treatment of hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (see S. 1167), [27FE]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [13DE]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [23JA]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [5JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [18JN] (see S. 3394), [21SE]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Firearms: provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the U.S. by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Depts. of State or Defense (see S. 381), [23JA]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [8MY]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [15MY]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research: establish (see S. 2274), [29MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [21SE]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [2AU]
Housing: enable Federal and State chartered banks and thrifts to meet the credit needs of homebuilders, and provide liquidity and ensure stable credit for meeting the need for new homes (see S. 2078), [11JY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [29JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [18JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [25JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [19SE]
Medicare: clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [20SE]
———ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [20SE]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [19SE]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [19SE]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [9MY]
———preserve access to ambulance services (see S. 424), [27FE]
———repeal outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps (see S. 829), [13SE]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [20JN]
National Character Counts Week: designate (see S. Res. 569), [19SE]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 1494), [12JN]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [17JY]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.: ensure maximum pension benefits for certain pilots forced to retire at age 60 by FAA regulations (see S. 998), [20SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [21MR]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Schools: end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools (see S. 555), [21JN]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [23JY]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [30JY]

———revise medical criteria for evaluating disability in a person with Huntington's disease and waive Medicare waiting period for individuals disabled by Huntington's disease (see S. 648), [26JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [12SE]
Taxation: adjust capital gains treatment of art and collectibles and provide a deduction for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor (see S. 930), [23MY]
———allow tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable contributions (see S. 557), [22MY]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [21MY]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [12SE]
———expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [31JY]
———extend and modify the American Opportunity Tax Credit (see S. 3267), [10JY]
———extend exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage to certain employee designated beneficiaries (see S. 1171), [13SE]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [13NO]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [17MY]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [13MR]
———permanently extend and expand deduction for charitable contributions of food inventory (see S. 166), [20SE]
———permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, restaurant property, and retail improvement property (see S. 687), [19JY]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [23MY]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [28DE]
———qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [20SE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [8MY]
Women: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [14MY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Agriculture: continue certain programs (see S. 3240), [24MY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]
Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act: reauthorize (see S. 3552), [13SE]
Foreign trade: prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
Mental health: increase access to community behavioral health services and improve Medicaid reimbursement for such services (see S. 2257), [29MR]
MF Global Holdings, Ltd.: prevent bonuses from being paid to employees responsible for day-to-day operations resulting in bankruptcy filing until customers' aggregated account funds are repaid in full (see S. Res. 407), [27MR]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Professional Social Work Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Taxation: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
———exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
———provide a credit for production of renewable chemicals (see S. 3491), [2AU]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
World Social Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]
Cloture motions
Agriculture: continue certain programs (S. 3240), motion to proceed, [5JN], [7JN]
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
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Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240), [24MY]
———Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (Senate) (S. 3240) (S. Rept. 112–203), [10SE]
STAND AGAINST VIOLENCE AND EMPOWER (SAVE) NATIVE WOMEN ACT
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Provisions: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
STANFORD UNIVERSITY
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Nobel Prize: recognition of Brian K. Koblinka for chemistry (see S. Res. 615), [12DE]
STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONGRESSIONAL BADGE OF BRAVERY BOARD
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Bills and resolutions
Alaska: promote availability of natural gas to North American markets by facilitating construction of Alaska-based pipelines (see S. 3629), [14NO]
Arizona: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 373), [14FE]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Colleges and universities: require programs offered by institutions to meet licensure and accreditation requirements for an occupation in order to receive Federal tuition grants and loans (see S. 3474), [1AU]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Commission To Eliminate Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities: establish (see S. 3705), [21DE]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Courts: provide special motion to dismiss ''strategic lawsuits against public participation'' (SLAPPs) to protect journalists and Internet service providers (see S. 3493), [2AU]
CPSC: require residential carbon monoxide detectors to meet certain safety standards and encourage States to require installation of such detectors in homes (see S. 3343), [27JN]
Dept. of Agriculture: prohibit income deductions for controlled substances, including medical marijuana, when determining Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (see S. 3368), [10JY]
———repeal the nutrition entitlement programs and establish a food stamp block grant program (see S. 3602), [20SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [28JN]
Dept. of Education: allow State teacher and personnel training and recruitment funds to be used to train school personnel how to recognize child sexual abuse (see S. 3173), [14MY]

———make grants to eligible local educational agencies to reduce the student-to-school nurse ratio in elementary and secondary schools and kindergarten (see S. 2047), [31JA]
Dept. of HHS: provide cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources and disseminate such materials by State educational agencies to identify more at-risk families (see S. 2124), [17FE]
Dept. of Justice: award grants to States to develop and implement State court interpreter programs (see S. 3365), [10JY]
———improve administration of grants to States under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne/JAG) Program and ensure that all criminal defendants receive adequate representation (see S. 3335), [21JN]
———provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
———strengthen the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Secure Our Schools grant program (see S. 3693), [19DE]
Dept. of Labor: require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [7MR]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
———enhance existing programs providing mitigation assistance by encouraging States to adopt and actively enforce State building codes (see S. 3694), [19DE]
———provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
District of Columbia: statehood (see S. 3696), [19DE]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [6MR]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs (see S. 3582), [20SE]
———increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]
———support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act: amend (see S. 3578), [20SE]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
EPA: allow for a reasonable compliance deadline for certain States subject to the cross-State air pollution rule (see S. 2300), [18AP]
———assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
Families and domestic relations: establish national and State putative father registries and make grants to States to promote permanent families for children and responsible fatherhood (see S. 3321), [20JN]
FEMA: allow State or local governments to construct levees on certain properties otherwise designated as open space (see S. 2039), [26JA]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]
———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Health: improve access to oral health care for vulnerable populations (see S. 3272), [7JN]
———recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Immigration: improve sharing of information and enhance Federal, State, and local enforcement of immigration laws (see S. 2266), [29MR]
———permanently reauthorize the EB–5 Regional Center Program, the E-Verify Program, the Special Immigrant Nonminister Religious Worker Program, and the Conrad State 30 J–1 Visa Waiver Program (see S. 3245), [24MY]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
Land-Grant College Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 502), [20JN]
Law enforcement officers: allow Federal officers indicted in State courts for actions related to protection of a victim of a violent crime to petition to remove case to Federal court (see S. 2276), [29MR]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
———expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [13JN]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Association of State Fire Marshals: recognize efforts to raise awareness of proper bonding for yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing to National Fire Protection Association specifications (see S. Res. 483), [6JN]
National Guard: allow Federal reimbursement of States that choose to use National Guard troops to enhance school safety (see S. 3692), [19DE]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
Natural gas: provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
New Mexico: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 585), [21SE]
Political campaigns: permit State and local employees to run for elective office and amend treatment of District of Columbia employees and punishment of violations by Federal employees relative to political activities (see S. 2170), [7MR]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7FE]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (see S. 3521), [10SE]
———limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
Veterans: require Federal agencies to hire veterans and require States to recognize military experience when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans (see S. 3555), [19SE]
———require States to ensure that training received by a veteran while on active duty is taken into consideration in granting certain State certifications or licenses (see S. 3235), [24MY] (see S. 3353), [28JN]
Voting: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
Water: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]

Motions

Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Taxation: extend certain expiring provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (S. 3521), [12SE], [13SE], [19SE]

Reports filed

Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]
Data Breach Notification Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1408), [6FE]
Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Authorization Extension: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2159), [29MR]
Elementary and Secondary Education Act Amendment: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3578) (S. Rept. 112–221), [20SE]
Family and Business Tax Cut Certainty Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3521) (S. Rept. 112–208), [10SE]

First State National Historical Park Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 323) (S. Rept. 112–109), [23JA]
Guardian Accountability and Senior Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1744), [12JY]
Hatch Act Modernization Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2170) (S. Rept. 112–211), [13SE]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 675) (S. Rept. 112–251), [17DE]
Officer Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 2276), [23MY]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Public Service Recognition Week: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. Res. 419), [25AP]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]

STEVENS, J. CHRISTOPHER
Bills and resolutions
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]

STOMACH CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 526), [24JY]

STOP ABUSE FOR EVERY (SAFE) CHILD ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3708), [21DE]

STOP THE STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE HIKE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2343), [24AP]
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 2343): motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
Motions
Enact (S. 2343), [26AP], [15MY]

STOP TRADING ON CONGRESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE (STOCK) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2038), [26JA]
Privacy: prevent national security breech and protect certain military officers and civilian employees endangered due to Internet publication of certain information (see S. 3510), [2AU]
Cloture motions
Enact (S. 2038), [20MR], [22MR]
———motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Motions
Enact (S. 2038), [26JA], [20MR]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2038) (S. Rept. 112–244), [3DE]

STRATEGIC MATERIALS *related term(s)* **NATIONAL SECURITY**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Defense: amend meaning of ''produced'' to include melting and finishing processes for purposes of limitations on procurement of specialty metals used in steel armor plate (see S. 2087), [9FE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]

STRENGTHENING AND ENHANCING CYBERSECURITY BY USING RESEARCH, EDUCATION, INFORMATION, AND TECHNOLOGY (SECURE IT) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3342), [27JN]

STRENGTHENING AND FOCUSING ENFORCEMENT TO DETER ORGANIZED STEALING AND ENHANCE SAFETY (SAFE DOSES) ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1002) (S. Rept. 112–204), [10SE]

STRENGTHENING PROTECTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND COMMUNITIES FROM DISEASE CLUSTERS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 76) (S. Rept. 112–213), [19SE]

STRENGTHENING PUBLIC-SAFETY AND ENHANCING COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH REFORM, UTILIZATION, AND MODERNIZATION (SPECTRUM) ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]

STRONGER ENFORCEMENT OF CIVIL PENALTIES ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3416), [23JY]

STUDENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW AND CAMPUS SECURITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]

SUCCESS ULTIMATELY COMES FROM CAPITAL, CONTRACTING, EDUCATION, STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS, AND SMART REGULATIONS (SUCCESS) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3442), [25JY]

SUDAN, REPUBLIC OF THE
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Foreign policy: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
Promote Peace and Stability in Sudan: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 397), [28MR]

SUNRISE, FL
Bills and resolutions
William ''Bill'' Kling VA Clinic: designate (see S. 3603), [20SE]

SUPPORTING EMPLOYEE COMPETENCY AND UPDATING READINESS ENHANCEMENTS FOR (SECURE) FACILITIES ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 772) (S. Rept. 112–202), [2AU]

SUPREME COURT *related term(s)* **COURTS**
Bills and resolutions
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [13MR]
Financial services and general Government: making appropriations (see S. 3301), [14JN]
Real estate: protect private property rights by limiting the power of eminent domain (see S. 3334), [21JN]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: designate (see S. 2326), [19AP]
Reports filed
Financial Services and General Government Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3301) (S. Rept. 112–177), [14JN]
Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1945), [13FE]
Robert H. Jackson U.S. Courthouse, Buffalo, NY: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2326), [27DE]

SURFACE MINING CONTROL AND RECLAMATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Mining and mineral resources: repeal a limitation on annual payments (see S. 3514), [2AU]

SURPLUS GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
Bills and resolutions
Public buildings: expedite the sale of underutilized Federal real property (see S. 2178), [8MR]
Veterans: improve veterans service organizations' access to Federal surplus personal property (see S. 3698), [19DE]
Reports filed
Federal Real Property Asset Management Reform Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2178) (S. Rept. 112–241), [27NO]

SUSTAINING OUR MOST ADVANCED RESEARCHERS AND TECHNOLOGY (SMART) JOBS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3192), [16MY]

SWETT, KATRINA LANTOS
Appointments
U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, [26MR]

SYRIA, ARAB REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Democracy: condemn human rights violations, support the people of Syria, express disappointment over veto of U.N. Security Council resolution condemning violence, and commend Arab League's peace efforts (see S. Res. 379), [16FE]
———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Foreign aid: provide humanitarian assistance and support a transition to democracy (see S. 3498), [2AU]
Foreign policy: promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]
———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Freedom of the press: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Human rights: condemn mass atrocities and human rights abuses and support right of the people to be safe and defend themselves (see S. Res. 424), [18AP]

———condemn violations, collect information on crimes against humanity and take action for those responsible for such crimes, prevent mass atrocities, and support people of Syria (see S. Res. 428), [19AP]
———impose sanctions due to abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
International relations: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Syria: President Obama, [9MY]
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Reports filed
Condemn Human Rights Violations, Support People, Express Disappointment Over U.N. Security Council Resolution Veto Condemning Violence, and Commend Arab League's Peace Efforts in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 379), [16FE]
Condemn Human Rights Violations and Call for Transition to Democracy in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 435), [7MY]
Condemn Violence Against and Detention of Journalists and Support Freedom of the Press in Syria: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 391), [28MR]
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]

SYRIA DEMOCRACY TRANSITION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2152), [2MR]

TAIWAN
Bills and resolutions
Democracy: support efforts to strengthen democracy and human rights and encourage Government to take into consideration international election monitoring recommendations (see S. Res. 542), [2AU]

TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]

TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK FOUNDATION
Bills and resolutions
Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 408), [28MR]

TAKING ESSENTIAL STEPS FOR TESTING (TEST) ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 3391), [19SE]

TALBOT COUNTY, MD
Reports filed
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]

TALENT, JAMES M. *(a former Senator from Missouri)*
Appointments
U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, [19DE]

TALKEETNA, AK
Bills and resolutions
Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station: designate (see S. 2273), [29MR]

TAOS COUNTY, NM
Bills and resolutions
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]

TARIFF *related term(s)* **FOREIGN TRADE**
Bills and resolutions
Acetamiprid, whether or not combined with application adjuvants (see S. 2430), [26AP]
(Acetato) pentammine cobalt dinitrate with a polymeric or paraffinic carrier mixture (see S. 2501), [26AP]
Acetic acid, cyano-(3-[(6-methyoxy-2-benzothiazoyl)amino]-1H-isoindol-1- ylidene)-, pentyl ester (see S. 3115), [10MY]
Acetoacetyl-2,5-dimethoxy-4-chloroanilide (see S. 2821), [7MY]
Acid blue 324 (see S. 3104), [10MY]
Acifluorfen (see S. 3146), [10MY]
Acrylic fiber tow (see S. 3129), [10MY]
Acrylic filament tow (see S. 3087), (see S. 3127, 3128, 3154, 3155, 3156, 3157, 3159), [10MY]
Acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3097), [10MY]
Acrylic snow globes (see S. 2882), [8MY]
Acrylic staple fibers (see S. 3086), (see S. 3123, 3124, 3125, 3126), [10MY]
Acrylic staple fibers, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3094, 3095), [10MY]
Acrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3158), [10MY]
Acrylic staple fibers, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3093, 3096), [10MY]
Adjustable metal lighting fixtures (see S. 2422), [26AP]
A5546 sulfonamide (see S. 2590), [7MY]
Agilon 400 (see S. 2661), [7MY]
Agrumex (see S. 3001), [8MY]
Air pressure distillation columns (see S. 2731), [7MY]
Alginic acid, ammonium alginate, potassium alginate, calcium alginate, and magnesium alginate (see S. 2833), [7MY]
Alkali metal phenate, mineral oil, and p-dodecylphenol mixtures (see S. 2499), [26AP]
Alkene polymers with maleic anhydride, 2-(1-piperazinyl) ethylimides, diisononyl phthalate and bis(1-methylethyl)-naphthalene mixture (see S. 2740), [7MY]
Allyl caproate (see S. 2973), [8MY]
Allyl cyclohexyl propionate (see S. 2972), [8MY]
Allyl heptoate (see S. 2966), [8MY]
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Aluminum lamp-holder housings (see S. 2415), [26AP]
Amberwood F (see S. 2965), [8MY]
Aminocyclopyrachlor and inert ingredients mixtures (see S. 2750), [7MY]
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Avermectin B (see S. 2624), [7MY]
Azoxystrobin (see S. 2631), [7MY]
Baby or child carriers designed for use on bicycles (see S. 2651), [7MY]
Bags for toys (see S. 2560), [7MY]
Bamboo baskets (see S. 2954), [8MY]
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Basic red 1 (see S. 2826), [7MY]
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Basketballs made of leather (see S. 2797), [7MY]
Basketballs made of other than leather or rubber (see S. 2798), [7MY]
Basketballs made of rubber (see S. 2799), [7MY]
Bayderm bottom DLV-N (see S. 2709), [7MY]
Bayowet C4 (see S. 2712), [7MY]
B-cyfluthrin (see S. 3023, 3025), [8MY]
Benzamine, dodecyl-, branched (see S. 2748), [7MY]
Benzene, polypropene derivatives (see S. 2502), [26AP]
Benzene, 2,4-dichloro-1,3-dinitro-5-(trifluoromethyl) (see S. 2597), [7MY]
Benzenesulfonic acid, dodecyl-, with 2- aminoethanol and poly (oxy-1,2-ethanediyl), a-[1-oxo-9-octadecenyl]- w-hydroxy-, (9Z) mixtures (see S. 2505), [26AP]
Benzenesulfonic acid, 4-chloro-2-[[4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-(3-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-5-methyl-, calcium salt (see S. 2802), [7MY]
Benzyl carbazate (see S. 2615), [7MY]
Benzylimidazole phenyl ethanol (see S. 2353), [25AP]
Bicycle brakes (see S. 2647), [7MY]
Bicycle speedometer parts (see S. 2652), [7MY]
Bicycle speedometers (see S. 2649), [7MY]
Bicycle wheel rims (see S. 2648), [7MY]
Bifenazate (see S. 2855), [8MY]
Bis-phenol (see S. 2900), [8MY]
Bisphenol A bis(3-methacryloyloxypropyl) ether substituted dimethacylate (see S. 2639), [7MY]
Bis(2,3-dibromopropyl ether) of tetrabromobisphenol A (see S. 2865), [8MY]
Bitolylene diisocyanate (see S. 2391), [26AP]
Black 661 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2606), [7MY]
Black 820 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2607), [7MY]
Black pepper extracted oleoresin (see S. 2398), [26AP]
Boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers (see S. 3059), [9MY]
Brass lamp-holder housings (see S. 2416), [26AP]
Brine electrolysis ion exchange apparatus (see S. 2660), [7MY]
Buprofezin (see S. 2602), [7MY]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Butanamide, N-(2,3-dihydro-2-oxo-1 H-benzimidazol-5-yl)-2-[2-(2-methoxyphenyl) diazenyl]-3-oxo (see S. 2803), [7MY]
Butane, 1-chloro (see S. 2894), [8MY]
Butralin (see S. 2856), [8MY]
Calcium chloride phosphate phosphor activated by manganese and antimony (see S. 2535), [7MY]
Camel hair not processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2312), [19AP]
Camel hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2313), [19AP]
Camel hair waste (see S. 2311), [19AP]
Canagliflozin (see S. 2921), [8MY]
Capers, prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid (see S. 2889, 2892), [8MY]
Caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents mixtures (see S. 2489), [26AP]
Capsicum extracted oleoresin (see S. 2394), [26AP]
Captan (see S. 2512), (see S. 2771), [7MY]
Carbaryl (see S. 2587), [7MY]
Carbonic acid, dimethyl ester, polymer with 1,6-hexanediol (see S. 2926), [8MY]
Carbonic dihydrazide (see S. 2508), [7MY]
Carded camel hair yarn (see S. 2315), [19AP]
Carded cashmere yarn (see S. 2305, 2307), [19AP]
Carded or combed camel hair (see S. 2309), [19AP]
Carpet cleaners and parts thereof (see S. 2357), [25AP]
Carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys (see S. 2565), [7MY]
Cashmere goat hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2306), [19AP]
Cassia extracted oleoresin (see S. 2395), [26AP]
Cast-iron engine crankcases for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2915), [8MY]
Catalytic converter mats of glass fibers (see S. 2644), [7MY]
Catalytic converter mounting mats (see S. 2645), [7MY]
Ceiling fans for permanent installation (see S. 3507), [2AU]

Celery extracted oleoresin (see S. 2393), [26AP]
Cellular plastic sheets for micron-retention filters (see S. 2816), [7MY]
Cellular plastic sheets for nano-retention filters (see S. 2820), [7MY]
Ceramic bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps with metal locking pins to allow passage of an electrical current (see S. 2850), [8MY]
Ceramic frit rings (see S. 2444), [26AP]
Cerium nitrate (see S. 2739), [7MY]
Cerium sulfide pigments (see S. 2942), [8MY]
Cermets for ceramic discharge lamps (see S. 2848), [8MY]
C5-8 perfluorocarbonalkanes (see S. 2635), [7MY]
C5-18 perfluorocarbon alkanes, perfluorocarbon amines, and/or perfluorocarbon ethers mixtures (see S. 2636), [7MY]
Chemical mixtures (see S. 2727), (see S. 2733), [7MY] (see S. 3101, 3102, 3103, 3105, 3114), [10MY]
Chemicals (see S. 2772), [7MY] (see S. 2979), (see S. 3004), [8MY]
Chime melody rod assemblies (see S. 2340), [24AP]
Chlorobenzene (see S. 2694), [7MY]
Chloromethylbenzene (see S. 2715), [7MY]
Cinnamic acid (see S. 2352), [25AP]
Cis-3-hexen-1-ol (see S. 2431), [26AP]
Citronitile (see S. 2964), [8MY]
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Clearcoat lacquer (see S. 2495), [26AP]
Clock movements (see S. 2339), [24AP]
Clodinafop-propargyl (see S. 2626), [7MY]
Cloquintocet-mexyl (see S. 2632), [7MY]
Clothianidin (see S. 3015), [8MY]
Clothianidin and bacillus firmus product mixtures (see S. 3008), [8MY]
Clothing industry: clarify classification of recreational performance outerwear (see S. 3073), [9MY]
Cobaltate(1-), bis[4-(hydroxy-k O)-3-[2-[2-(hydroxy-k O)-1-naphthalenyl]diazenyl-k N1]benzenesulfonamidato(2-)]-, sodium (1—1) (see S. 3111), [10MY]
Coffeemakers (see S. 2361), [25AP]
Combed cashmere yarn or camel hair yarn (see S. 2308), [19AP]
Compression-ignition internal combustion piston engines (see S. 2530), [7MY]
C1-3 perfluoroalkyl perfluoromorpholine (see S. 2637), [7MY]
Confectionery (including gum) containing synthetic sweetening agents instead of sugar (see S. 3143), [10MY]
Copoly(acrylic acid/itaconic acid) (see S. 2638), [7MY]
Copper peptide (AHK-Cu) (see S. 2795), [7MY]
Copper peptide (GHK-Cu 1—1) (see S. 2793), [7MY]
Copper phthalocyanine green 7, crude (see S. 2491), [26AP]
Coupon holders (see S. 2957), [8MY]
C12-18 alkenes, polymers (TPX) with 4-methyl-1-pentene (see S. 2435), [26AP]
Cuprate (4-), [2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt (see S. 3112), [10MY]
Cyan 1 RO inkjet printing ink (see S. 2605), [7MY]
Cyan 854 inkjet printing ink (see S. 2604), [7MY]
Cyanamide (see S. 2349), [25AP]
Cyanuric chloride (see S. 2436), [26AP]
Cyasorb 1164 (see S. 2902), [8MY]
Cyasorb 2908 (see S. 2898), [8MY]
Cyasorb 3346 (see S. 2901), [8MY]
Cyclogalbanate (see S. 2963), [8MY]
Cyclopentylpropionyl chloride (see S. 2348), [25AP]
Cyflufenamid (see S. 2428), [26AP]
Cyfluthrin (see S. 3024), [8MY]
Cyhalothrin mixtures (see S. 2955), [8MY]
Cypermethrin (see S. 2780), [7MY] (see S. 3139), [10MY]
Cyproconazole (see S. 2625), [7MY]
Cyprodinil (see S. 2908), [8MY]
Cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2726), [7MY]
Damascenone (see S. 2931), [8MY]
Daminozide (see S. 2862), [8MY]
DEMBB (see S. 2524), [7MY]
D-galacto-D-mannan (see S. 2506), [26AP]
D-galacto-D-mannan, 2-hydroxy-3-(trimethylammonio)propyl ether, chloride (83589-59-7), 1-propanaminium, 2,3-dihydroxy-N,N,N-trimethyl-, chloride (34004-36-9) and water (see S. 2504), [26AP]
Diaminodecane (see S. 2994), [8MY]
Diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2876), [8MY]
Diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece (see S. 2875), [8MY]
Diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2877), [8MY]
Diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester (see S. 2878), [8MY]
Dichloroacetyl chloride (see S. 2598), [7MY]
Di-cup organic peroxide (see S. 2711), [7MY]
Diethenyl-benzene polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, sulfonated (see S. 2653), [7MY]
Diethylaminoethyl-dextran (see S. 2350), [25AP]
Difenoconazole (see S. 2907), [8MY]
Difenoconazole and mefenoxam mixtures (see S. 2618), [7MY]
Digital camera lenses (see S. 2408, 2412), [26AP]
Digital still image video cameras: liquidation or reliquidation (see S. 2949), [8MY]
Dimethyl carbonate polymer with 1,6-hexanediol copolymer and 2-oxepanone (see S. 2763), [7MY]
Dimethyl dicarbonate (see S. 2697), [7MY]
Dimethyl hydrogen phosphite (see S. 3011), [8MY]
Dimethyl malonate (see S. 3031), [8MY]
Dimethylisopropylamine (DMIPA) (see S. 2687), [7MY]
Diphosphoric acid, polymers with ethoxylated reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2981), [8MY]
Direct injection fuel injectors (see S. 2329), [23AP]
Disflamoll DPK (see S. 2718), [7MY]
Disflamoll TOF (see S. 2684), [7MY]
Disperse blue 77 (see S. 3110), [10MY]
Disperse red 60 (see S. 3119), [10MY]
Disperse yellow 64 (see S. 3118), [10MY]
D-mannose (see S. 3028), [8MY]
Dodecahydro-3a,6,6,9atetramethylnaphtho(2,1-b)furan (see S. 2930), [8MY]
Dragosantol (see S. 2962), [8MY]
Drinking glasses (see S. 2536), [7MY]
Drive-axles (see S. 2510), [7MY]
E-caprolactone-neopentylglycol copolymer (see S. 2927), [8MY]
E-caprolactone-2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol polymer (see S. 2939), [8MY]
Educational toys or devices (see S. 2561), [7MY]
Electric wine bottle openers (see S. 2958), [8MY]
Electrical connectors (see S. 2418), [26AP]
Electrical transformers (see S. 2805), [7MY]
Electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY] (see S. 3045), [9MY]
11-aminoundecanoic acid (see S. 2698), [7MY]
Esfenvalerate technical (see S. 2610), [7MY]
Ethanediamide, N-(2-ethoxyphenyl)-N'-(4-isodecylphenyl)- (see S. 3169), [10MY]
Ethanol, 2,2'-[[4-[2-(3,5-dinitro-2-thienyl)diazenyl]phenyl]imino]bis-, 1,1'-diacetate (see S. 3108), [10MY]
Ethanoyl chloride (see S. 3172), [10MY]
Ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced (see S. 3033), [9MY]
Ethene, tetrafluoro, oxidized, polymerized reduced, methyl esters, reduced, ethoxylated (see S. 2985), [8MY]
Ethene,1 chloro-1,2,2-trifluoro (see S. 3005), [8MY]
Ethyl salicilate (see S. 2976), [8MY]
Ethyl 2-(isocyanatosulfonyl)benzoate (see S. 2614), [7MY]
Ethylene-propylene polymer (see S. 2486), [26AP]
Etridiazole (see S. 2871), [8MY]
Europium oxide (see S. 2744), [7MY]
Eyelash curlers (see S. 3147), [10MY]
Fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric (see S. 2874), [8MY]
Fairway wood heads (see S. 2809), [7MY]
Famoxadone, cymoxanil, and application adjuvants (see S. 2609), [7MY]
Fasteners, in clips suitable for use in a mechanical attaching device (see S. 2806), [7MY]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
Fenamidone (see S. 3135), [10MY]
Fenhexamid (see S. 3133), [10MY]
Fenoxaprop-p-ethyl, pyrasulfotole, bromoxynil octanoate, bromoxynil heptanoate, and mefenpyr-diethyl mixtures (see S. 3012, 3022), [8MY]
Fenpyroximate (see S. 2599), [7MY]
Ferroniobium (see S. 2380), [26AP] (see S. 2673), [7MY]
Fiberglass sheets used in flooring (see S. 2708), [7MY]
Fireworks, display or special fireworks (see S. 2464), [26AP]
Fireworks, other than display or special fireworks (see S. 2463), [26AP]
Fishing reels (see S. 3195), [16MY]
Fitness equipment (see S. 3184), [15MY]
5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, 1,3-butanediol and 1,1'methylenebis[4-isocyanatocyclohexane], Me Et ketone oxime- polyethylene glycol mono-Me ether blocked hexanedioic acid, dihydrazide polymer (see S. 2773), [7MY]
5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methoxy-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2828), [7MY]
5-chloro-3-hydroxy-2-methyl-2-naphthanilide (see S. 2829), [7MY]
5(1,1-dimethylheptyl) resorcinol (see S. 2736), [7MY]
Floor coverings and mats used for temporary cushioning for children and adults (see S. 2585), [7MY]
Flubendiamide (see S. 2617), [7MY] (see S. 3132, 3162), [10MY]
Fludioxonil (see S. 2627), [7MY]
Fluopicolide (see S. 3134), [10MY]
Fluopyram (see S. 3130), [10MY]
Fluopyram and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2681), [7MY]
Fluopyram and prothioconazole mixtures (see S. 2719), [7MY]
Fluopyram and pyrimethanil mixtures (see S. 2721), [7MY]
Fluopyram and tebuconazole mixtures (see S. 2680), [7MY]
Fluopyram and trifloxystrobin mixtures (see S. 2720), [7MY]
Fluoropolymers containing 95 percent or more by weight of the monomer units tetrafluoroethylene, hexafluoropropylene, and vinylidene fluoride (see S. 2641), [7MY]
Flutolanil (see S. 2601), [7MY]
Food choppers (see S. 2360), [25AP]
Food processors (see S. 2359), [25AP]
Footwear consisting of an outer sole affixed to an incomplete or unfinished upper (see S. 2883), [8MY]
Footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type (see S. 3068), [9MY]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
———prevent importation of merchandise into the U.S. in a manner that evades antidumping and countervailing duty orders (see S. 3524), [10SE]
Forged ring gear components and certain other parts of crankshafts and connecting rods (see S. 2511), [7MY]
Forged steel crankshafts (see S. 2914), [8MY]

Formaldehyde, polymer with methylphenol, 2-hydroxy-3[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)oxy]propyl ether and formaldehyde, polymer with (chloromethyl) oxirane and methylphenol, 4-cyclohexene-1,2-dicarboxylate 2-propenoate (see S. 2537), [7MY]
Formaldehyde polymers with aniline and with 4,4'-methylendianiline mixtures (see S. 2738), [7MY]
Fosamine (see S. 2513), [7MY]
Fosetyl-Al (see S. 2704), [7MY]
4,8-dicyclohexyl -6-2,10-dimethyl -12H-dibenzo[d,g][1,3,2]- dioxaphosphocin (see S. 2478), [26AP]
4,4'-butylidenebis [3-methyl 6 tert butylphenol] (see S. 2863), [8MY]
4,4'-dichlorodiphenyl sulfone (see S. 2980), [8MY]
4,4'-methylenebis(2-chloroaniline) (see S. 2860), [8MY]
4,4'-oxydianiline (see S. 2754), [7MY]
4,4'-oxydiphthalic anhydride (see S. 2498), [26AP]
4,4'-thiobis[2-(1,1-di-methylethyl)-5-methyl-phenol] (see S. 2866), [8MY]
4-bromobenzyl bromide (see S. 2734), [7MY]
4-chlorobenzaldehyde (see S. 3021), [8MY]
4-chloro-3,5-dinitro- a,a,a- trifluorotoluene (see S. 3099), [10MY]
4-chloro-3-nitrobenzoic acid (see S. 2623), [7MY]
4'-methoxy-2,2',4-trimethyl diphenylamine (see S. 2336), [23AP]
4-methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine (see S. 2328), [23AP]
4-oxo-4-p-tolylbutyric acid adduct with 4-ethylmorpholine (NEM salt) (see S. 2794), [7MY]
4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, lithium salt (see S. 2480), [26AP]
4-vinylbenzenesulfonic acid, sodium salt hydrate (see S. 2482), [26AP]
Frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2488), [26AP]
Frescolat MGA (see S. 2967), [8MY]
Frescolat ML (see S. 2968), [8MY]
Frit rings composed of dysprosium oxide, dysprosium monosilicate, and mullite (see S. 2849), [8MY]
Fuel injection pumps (see S. 2910), [8MY]
Fuel injectors each functional in a common rail fuel system (see S. 2912), [8MY]
Gadolinium oxide (see S. 2741), [7MY]
Gallium unwrought (see S. 2460), [26AP]
Germanium oxides (see S. 2459), [26AP]
Germanium unwrought (see S. 2458), [26AP]
Ginger extracted oleoresin (see S. 2392), [26AP]
Girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers (see S. 3064), [9MY]
Girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers (see S. 3060), [9MY]
Glass snow globes (see S. 2881), [8MY]
Glufosinate-ammonium (GA) (see S. 2356), [25AP]
Glyoxylic acid (see S. 2520), [7MY]
Golf bag bodies (see S. 2872), [8MY]
Golf club driver heads (see S. 2808), [7MY]
Golf club iron heads (see S. 2810), [7MY]
Golf club putter heads (see S. 2575), [7MY]
Golf wedge club heads (see S. 2811), [7MY]
Hand tools designed for securing plastic fasteners (see S. 2807), [7MY]
Handheld food blenders (see S. 2363), [25AP]
HAS (see S. 2899), [8MY]
Headphones, AC adapters, and protective cases of molded silicone (see S. 2567), [7MY]
Helional (see S. 2432), [26AP]
Helium (see S. 2735), [7MY]
Helvetolide (see S. 2928), [8MY]
Hexane, 1,6-dichloro- (see S. 2896), [8MY]
High pressure fuel pumps (see S. 2335), [23AP]
High-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels: reliquidation of certain entries (see S. 2946), [8MY]
High-performance loudspeakers (see S. 2804), [7MY]
Hirvenal (see S. 2929), [8MY]
Hostanox P-EPQ (see S. 3168), [10MY]
Hostapur SAS (see S. 3142), [10MY]
Hostavin 3055 (see S. 3170), [10MY]
Hostavin 3058 (see S. 3141), [10MY]
Huron yellow dye (see S. 2549), [7MY]
Hybrid electric vehicle inverters (see S. 2330), [23AP]
Hybrid golf club heads (see S. 2812), [7MY]
Hydrazine hydrate, aqueous solution (see S. 2796), [7MY]
Hydrolite 5 (see S. 2998), [8MY]
Hydrolite 6 (see S. 2969), [8MY]
Imazalil (see S. 2922), [8MY]
Imazalil mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2918), [8MY]
Imidacloprid (see S. 2385), [26AP] (see S. 3136), [10MY]
Imidacloprid and cyfluthrin or its b-cyfluthrin isomer mixtures (see S. 2384), [26AP]
Imidacloprid and thiodicarb mixtures (see S. 2381), [26AP]
Imidacloprid with application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2383), [26AP]
Iminodisuccinate (see S. 2706), [7MY]
Imitation jewelry earrings (see S. 2454), [26AP]
Imitation jewelry necklaces or bracelets (see S. 2455), [26AP]
Indaziflam (see S. 3131, 3161), [10MY]
Industrial nitrocellulose: reliquidation of certain entries from the United Kingdom (see S. 2936), [8MY]
Infant products (see S. 2559), [7MY]
Inflatable swimming pools (see S. 2959), [8MY]
Injection-molded ABS of PP cases or containers used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games (see S. 3046), [9MY]
Instant print film for analog photography (see S. 2427), [26AP]
Insulated food or beverage bags with outer surface of man made fiber, with removable inner liner of hard plastic (see S. 2579, 2580), [7MY]
Invisible blue dye (see S. 2550), [7MY]
Ion-exchange resin comprising a copolymer of styrene crosslinked with divinylbenzene, thio functionalized (see S. 2657), [7MY]
Ion-exchange resin of benzene, diethenyl, polymer with ethenylbenzene and ethenylethylbenzene, chloromethylated, trimethylaminoquaternized (see S. 2683), [7MY]
Ion-exchange resin powder comprising a copolymer of methacrylic acid cross-linked with divinylbenzene, potassium ionic form (see S. 2656), [7MY]
Ion-exchange resin-methanamine, N methyl reaction products with chloromethylated divinylbenzene-styrene polymer (see S. 2658), [7MY]
Ion-exchange resins (see S. 3030), [8MY]
Ion-exchange resins consisting of copolymers of acrylic acid and diethylene glycol divinyl ether (see S. 3029), [8MY]
Ipconazole (see S. 2853), [8MY]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
Knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
Knitted or crocheted fabrics containing elastomeric yarn (see S. 2743), [7MY]
Korea, Republic of: liquidation or reliquidation of certain entries of top-of-the-stove stainless steel cooking ware from the Republic of Korea (see S. 2893), [8MY]
Lambda-Cy (see S. 2766), [7MY]
Lanthanum, cerium, and terbium phosphates mixtures or coprecipitates (see S. 2747), [7MY]
Lanthanum oxide (see S. 2742), [7MY]
Lanthanum phosphate phosphor, activated by cerium and terbium (see S. 2553), [7MY]
Laromer PE 55 F (see S. 2532), [7MY]
Levapren-Levamel (see S. 2707), [7MY]
Licorice extract (see S. 2937), [8MY]
Licorice extract derivatives (see S. 2938), [8MY]
Lightweight digital camera lenses (see S. 2409, 2410, 2411), [26AP]
Linuron (see S. 3034), [9MY]
Liquid-filled glass bulbs designed for sprinkler systems and other release devices (see S. 2769), [7MY]
Lithium carbonate (see S. 3153), [10MY]
Lithium chloride (see S. 3152), [10MY]
Lithium-ion electrical storage batteries (see S. 2334), [23AP]
Low expansion laboratory glassware (see S. 2462), [26AP]
Low expansion stoppers, lids, and other closures (see S. 2461), [26AP]
Lutetium oxide (see S. 2943), [8MY]
Made up articles (see S. 3107), [10MY]
Magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) and magnesium aluminum hydroxide carbonate (synthetic hydrotalcite) coated with stearic acid (see S. 2434), [26AP]
Magnesium peroxide (see S. 2986), [8MY]
Magnesium zinc aluminum hydroxide carbonate coated with stearic acid (see S. 2433), [26AP]
Majantol (see S. 2997), [8MY]
Mandipropamid (see S. 2521), [7MY]
Manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin (see S. 3071), [9MY]
Manganese flake (see S. 2379), [26AP]
Manicure and pedicure sets (see S. 3148), [10MY]
Measuring or checking instruments parts and accessories (see S. 2555), [7MY]
Mechanics' work gloves (see S. 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2574), [7MY]
Men's footwear, covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3037, 3039), [9MY]
Men's footwear, not covering the ankle, designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3036, 3038), [9MY]
Men's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3041, 3042), [9MY]
Men's leathered footwear (see S. 3056, 3058), [9MY]
Menthol-D (see S. 2970), [8MY]
Mesosulfuron-methyl (see S. 3009), [8MY]
Mesotrione (see S. 2525), [7MY]
Metal halide lamps designed for use in video projectors (see S. 2573), [7MY]
Metal iodide pellets (see S. 2445), [26AP]
Metal screw type bases designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2845), [8MY]
Metallic manganese (see S. 2669), [7MY]
Methanesulfonic acid (see S. 2714), [7MY]
Methanesulfonyl chloride (see S. 2717), [7MY]
Methidathion (see S. 2950), [8MY]
Methoxycarbonyl-terminated perfluorinated polyoxymethylene-polyoxyethylene (see S. 2991), [8MY]
Methyl cinnamate (see S. 2975), [8MY]
Methyl 4-(([(3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H. 1.2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl]-amino)sulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate, isoxaflutole, and cyprosulfamide mixtures (see S. 2382), [26AP]
Methyl 4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl-N-(chlorocarbonyl) carbamate (see S. 2608), [7MY]
Methyl salicylate (see S. 2916), (see S. 2999), [8MY]
methyl sulfanilylcarbamate sodium salt (see S. 2777), [7MY]
Methyl 2-[[[[[4-(dimethylamino)-6-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-1,3,5- triazin-2-yl]amino]carbonyl]amino]-sulfonyl]-3-methylbenzoate and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2612), [7MY]
Methylated and butylated melamine-formaldehyde polymer (see S. 2659), [7MY]
Micro-porous, ultrafine, spherical polyamide powders of polyamide 6; polyamide-12; and polyamide 6, 12 (see S. 2693), [7MY]
Modacrylic staple fibers (see S. 3121), (see S. 3122), [10MY]
Monocarboxylic fatty acids derived from palm oil (see S. 3027), [8MY]

Motor generator units (see S. 2333), [23AP]
Mucochloric acid (see S. 3098), [10MY]
Muscenone delta (see S. 2932), [8MY]
N,N-hexane-1,6-diylbis(3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenylpropionamide)) (see S. 2869), [8MY]
N,N'N''-[(2,4,5-trioxo-1,3,5-triazine-1,3,5(2H,4H,6H)-triyl)tris[methylene(3,5,5-trimetyl-3,1-cyclohexanediyl)]]tris[hexahydro-2-oxo-1H-azepine-1-carboxamide (see S. 2775), [7MY]
Nail clippers (see S. 3149), [10MY]
N-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline), 1-hydroxypyridine-2-thione, zinc salt (zinc pyrithione) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2424), [26AP]
N-butyl-1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-one (butyl benzisothiazoline) and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2425), [26AP]
Necklaces or bracelets, other than those containing jadeites or rubies (see S. 2453), [26AP]
Neo Heliopan Hydro (see S. 2971), [8MY]
Neon, compressed (see S. 2941), [8MY]
Neononyl acetate (see S. 2982), [8MY]
N-ethyl-n-benzyl aniline (see S. 2751), [7MY]
N510 (see S. 2933), [8MY]
N-[(4-methoxymethyl)-1-phenylmethyl-4-piperidinyl]N-phenylpropanamide-ethanedioate (see S. 2674), [7MY]
Nightlights made of plastic (see S. 2423), [26AP]
9, 10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,1-dimethylpropyl)- (CAS No. 32588-54-8) and 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-(1,2-dimethylpropyl)- (see S. 2978), [8MY]
Nitroaniline (see S. 2756), [7MY]
N-[methoxy(methylthio)phosphinoyl] acetamide formulation (see S. 2774), [7MY]
Noils of camel hair (see S. 2314), [19AP]
Non-toric shaped polarized materials of 80 mm or less in diameter (see S. 2577), [7MY]
Non-toric shaped polarized materials of more than 80 mm in diameter (see S. 2578), [7MY]
N-propyl gallate (see S. 2440), [26AP]
N'-(3,4-dichloro-phenyl)-N,Ndimethylurea with acrylate rubber mixtures (see S. 2475), [26AP]
N-[2-(2-oxoimidazolidine-1-yl)ethyl]-2-methylacrylamide, methacrylic acid, aminoethyl ethylene urea and hydroquinone mixtures (see S. 2990), [8MY]
Nylostab Seed (see S. 3171), [10MY]
O-acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) (see S. 2758), [7MY] (see S. 2948), [8MY]
Occupancy sensors (see S. 2417), [26AP]
O-chloro-p-toluidine (3-chloro-4-methylaniline) (see S. 2479), [26AP]
1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethene, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2977), [8MY] (see S. 3032), [9MY]
1,1,2-2-tetrafluoroethylene,oxidized, polymerized, reduced (see S. 3007), [8MY]
1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylic acid (see S. 2672), [7MY]
1,6-diisocyanato-hexane homopolymer, polyethylene-polypropylene glycol mono-Bu ether blocked (see S. 2779), [7MY]
1,6-hexanediol and 1,5-pentanediol dimethyl carbonate polymer (see S. 2767), [7MY]
1,6-hexanediol-dimethyl carbonate copolymer (see S. 2765), [7MY]
1,3,5-triazine, 2,4,6-tris(2-propenyloxyl)- (see S. 2895), [8MY]
1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triamine, polymer with formaldehyde (see S. 2493), [26AP]
1,3-benzenedicarbonitrile (see S. 2619), [7MY]
1,3-bis(4-aminophenoxy)benzene (RODA) (see S. 2503), [26AP]
1,3-diisocyanatomethylbenzene, polymer with 1,6-diisocyanatohexane (see S. 2786), [7MY]
1,3-propanediaminium, N-[3-[[[dimethyl[3-[(2-methyl-1-oxo-2-pro-penyl)amino]propyl]ammonio]acety]amino]propyl]-2-hydroxy-N,N,N',N',N'-pentamethyl-, trichloride, polymer with 2-propenamide (see S. 2483), [26AP]
1,2,3-propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane (see S. 2784), [7MY]
1-benzyl-4-phenyl-4-piperidine carboxylic acid ethyl ester HCl (see S. 2677), [7MY]
1-chloro-2-propanone (see S. 2523), [7MY]
1H-[1,2,4]triazole (see S. 2678), [7MY]
1-methylimidazole (see S. 2792), [7MY]
1-octadecanaminium, N,N-dimethyl-N-octadecyl-,(Sp-4-2)-[29H. 31.-phthalocyanine-2-sulfonato(3-)-kN29,kN30,kN31, kN32]cuprate(1-) (see S. 2481), [26AP]
1-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydro-2,3,8,8-tetramethyl-2-naphthalenyl)-ethan-1-one (and isomers) mixture (see S. 2476), [26AP]
1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized (see S. 2993), [8MY]
1-propene, 1,1,2,3,3,3-hexafluoro-, oxidized, polymerized, reduced hydrolyzed (see S. 2992), [8MY]
1-(2-chloroethyl)-4-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-5H-tetrazol-5-one (see S. 2671), [7MY]
O-nitrophenol (see S. 2522), [7MY]
Orange juice: reliquidation of certain entries from Brazil (see S. 2897), [8MY]
Oryzalin (see S. 2782), [7MY]
O-toluidine (see S. 2514), [7MY]
Oxadiazon (see S. 2354), [25AP]
Oxiranemethanol, polymers with reduced methyl esters of reduced polymerized oxidized tetrafluoroethylene (see S. 2989), [8MY]
Oxyfluorfen (see S. 2768), [7MY] (see S. 3145), [10MY]
Oysters (other than smoked), prepared or preserved (see S. 2556), [7MY]
Paclobutrazol (see S. 2951), [8MY]
P-aminobenzamide (4-aminobenzamide) (see S. 2822), [7MY]
Para-methoxyphenol (see S. 2528), [7MY]
Paraquat and emetic mixtures (see S. 2905), [8MY]
Paraquat dichloride (see S. 2857), [8MY]
Paraquat dichloride and inerts (see S. 2858), [8MY]
Parts of frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles, or the like (see S. 2507), [26AP]
Pasta tools (see S. 2358), [25AP]
PCBTF (see S. 2843), [8MY]
PCBTF with acid acceptor (see S. 2842), [8MY]
PCBTF with antioxidant (see S. 2841), [8MY]
PCBTF with antistatic (see S. 2852), [8MY]
PCBTF with corrosion inhibitor (see S. 2844), [8MY]
P-dichlorobenzene (see S. 2695), [7MY]
Penflufen (see S. 2386), [26AP]
Pentaerythritol tetrakis[3-(dodecylthio)propionate] (see S. 2859), [8MY]
Pepperoncini prepared or preserved by vinegar (see S. 2891), [8MY]
Pepperoncini prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen (see S. 2890), [8MY]
Perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (see S. 2643), [7MY]
Perfluorocarbon amines (see S. 2634), [7MY]
Permethrin (see S. 3020), [8MY]
PHBA (see S. 2995), [8MY]
Phenmedipham (see S. 2701), [7MY]
Phenyl esters of C10 C18 alkylsulfonic acids mixtures (see S. 2692), [7MY]
Phenyl (4,6-dimethoxy-pyrimidin-2-yl) carbamate (see S. 2611), [7MY]
Phenyl isocyanate (see S. 2665), [7MY]
Phenylethyl isobutyrate (see S. 2983), [8MY]
Phenyl-2-pyridyl acetamide (see S. 2728), [7MY]
Phosphonic acid, maleic anhydride sodium salt complex (see S. 2987), [8MY]
Phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, polymer with urea, phosphonium, tetrakis(hydroxymethyl)-, chloride, formaldehyde mixtures (see S. 3013), [8MY]
Phosphorescent pigment (see S. 2541), [7MY]
Phosphoric acid, lanthanum salt, cerium terbium-doped (see S. 3010), [8MY]
Phosphoric acid, tris (2-ethylhexyl) ester (see S. 2595), [7MY] (see S. 2868), [8MY]
Phosphorus sulfochloride (see S. 2699), [7MY]
Picoxystrobin (see S. 2589), (see S. 2752), [7MY]
Pigment red 187 (see S. 2831), [7MY]
Pigment violet 23 (see S. 2663), [7MY]
Pigment yellow 151 (see S. 3167), [10MY]
Pigment yellow 154 (see S. 3165), [10MY]
Pigment yellow 175 (see S. 3166), [10MY]
Pigment yellow 180 (see S. 2801), [7MY]
Pigment yellow 181 (see S. 2832), [7MY]
Pigments based on titanium dioxide (see S. 2662), [7MY]
Pinoxaden (see S. 2633), [7MY]
Piperazine co-polymerized copolyamide resin high-temperature melt adhesive pellets (see S. 2696), [7MY]
Pistons for marine propulsion engines (see S. 2911), [8MY]
Plain shaft sputter bearings (see S. 2913), [8MY]
Plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades (see S. 3150, 3151), [10MY]
Plastic children's wallets (see S. 2956), [8MY]
Plastic device book style covers (see S. 2581), [7MY]
Plastic device covers and stands (see S. 2584), [7MY]
Plastic fittings composed of perfluoroalkoxy (PFA) resin (see S. 2817), [7MY]
Plastic laminate sheets (see S. 2485), [26AP]
Plastic lamp-holder housings (see S. 2413), [26AP]
Plastic mesh for filters (see S. 2818), [7MY]
Plastic mesh for filters (high flow) (see S. 2819), [7MY]
Plastic stylus pens for use with toys (see S. 2566), [7MY]
P-nitrotoluene (see S. 2691), [7MY]
Polycrystalline alumina discharge tubes prefilled with metal halide salts and designated for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2851), [8MY]
Polycrystalline alumina tubes and shaped bodies designed for high intensity discharge lamps (see S. 2847), [8MY]
Polycrystalline fibers (see S. 2642), [7MY]
Polyester fleece sheet sets: reliquidation of certain entries (see S. 2947), [8MY]
Polyethylene glycol, C16 C18 fatty acids, and C2 C6 aliphatic hydrocarbons mixtures (see S. 2497), [26AP]
Polyisocyanate cross linking agent products containing triphenylmethane triisocyanate in solvents (see S. 2788), [7MY]
Polymer, caprolactone-diethylene glycol (see S. 2925), [8MY]
Poly(methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2690), [7MY]
Poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate mixtures (see S. 3072), [9MY]
Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) (see S. 2689), [7MY]
Poly(toluene diisocyanate) (see S. 2760), [7MY]
Poly(2,2'-bis(4-cyanatophenyl)propane) (see S. 2940), [8MY]
Poly(urea/formaldehyde/isobutyraldehyde) (see S. 2533), [7MY]
Polyvinyl alcohol and polyvinyl pyrrolidone mixtures (see S. 2518), [7MY]
Porcelain lamp-holder housings (see S. 2414), [26AP]
Portable personal area mosquito repellents (see S. 2531), [7MY]
Potassium 1,3-dioxo-1H,3H-naphthol[1,8-cd]pyran-6-sulfonate (see S. 2753), [7MY]
Potassium persulfate encapsulated in cellulose acetate butyrate (see S. 2640), [7MY]
Potassium sorbate (see S. 2439), [26AP]
Power electronics boxes and static converter composite units (see S. 2332), [23AP]
Preformed iodide pellets or powder composed of iodides of dysprosium, thallium sodium, holmium, thulium and calcium (see S. 2846), [8MY]
Preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking (see S. 3144), [10MY]
Preventol O extra (see S. 2789), [7MY]
Preventol ON extra preservative (see S. 2686), [7MY]
Profenofos (see S. 2960), [8MY]
Programmable controllers (see S. 2509), [7MY]
Propargite (see S. 2870), [8MY]
Propiconazole (see S. 2906, 2917), [8MY]
Propiconazole and 3-iodo-propynol butylcarbamate mixtures and application adjuvants (see S. 2923), [8MY]
Propoxur (2-(1-methylethoxy)phenol methylcarbamate) (see S. 3026), [8MY]
Propoxycarbazone-sodium (see S. 3019), [8MY]
Propylene glycol alginates (see S. 2837), [7MY]
Protective cases of molded silicone for toys (see S. 2563), [7MY]

P-toluenesulfonamide (see S. 2426), [26AP]
P-toluidine (see S. 2484), [26AP] (see S. 2688), [7MY]
Pymetrozine (see S. 2630), [7MY]
Pyraflufen-ethyl (see S. 2600), (see S. 2616), [7MY]
Pyrimethanil (see S. 2700), [7MY] (see S. 2924), [8MY]
Pyrithiobac-sodium (see S. 2613), [7MY]
Pyromellitic dianhydride (see S. 2757), [7MY]
(R,S)—2-((2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxyacetylamino) propionic acid, methyl ester (see S. 2629), [7MY]
Rayon filament tow (see S. 3088), [10MY]
Reactive black 5 (see S. 3106), [10MY]
Reactive black 31 (see S. 3164), [10MY]
Reactive red (see S. 2546), [7MY]
Rolled glass in sheets (see S. 2679), [7MY]
Rooftop cargo bags (see S. 2621), [7MY]
(RS)-1-(B-allyloxy-2,4-dichlorophenethyl)imidazole (see S. 2724), [7MY]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN] (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material: clarify duty (see S. 2545), [7MY]
Ski boots, cross country ski footwear, and snowboard boots (see S. 2302), [19AP]
S-metolachlor (see S. 2519), [7MY]
Smooth nonwoven fiberglass sheets of a type primarily used as acoustical facing for ceiling panels (see S. 2705), [7MY]
Sodium alginate (see S. 2836), [7MY]
Sodium ferrocyanide (see S. 2443), [26AP]
Sodium hypophosphite monohydrate (see S. 2437), (see S. 2456), [26AP] (see S. 3014), [8MY]
Sodium monochloroacetate (see S. 3163), [10MY]
Sodium thiocyanate (see S. 2492), [26AP]
Solvent orange 115, marigold orange (see S. 2542), [7MY]
Solvent yellow 160—1, Potomac (see S. 2551), [7MY]
Solvent yellow 195 (see S. 2548), [7MY]
Solvent yellow 131, fluorescent yellow M, Mohawk (see S. 2543), [7MY]
Sorbic acid (see S. 2438), [26AP]
Specially designed vehicles (see S. 2534), [7MY]
Spirodiclofen (see S. 2702), [7MY]
Spiromesifen (see S. 3017), [8MY] (see S. 3160), [10MY]
Spirotetramat (see S. 2722), [7MY]
Sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
Sports footwear (see S. 3069), [9MY]
Sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials (see S. 3065), [9MY]
Sports footwear for persons other than men or women (see S. 2399), [26AP]
Sports footwear with cleats (see S. 3066, 3067), [9MY]
Sports footwear with spikes for men (see S. 2400, 2402), [26AP]
Sports footwear with spikes for persons other than men (see S. 2403), [26AP]
Sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
Stainless steel single piece exhaust gas manifolds (see S. 2737), [7MY]
Stannic oxide (see S. 2791), [7MY]
Staple fibers of rayon, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3092), [10MY]
Staple fibers of viscose rayon (see S. 2838), [7MY] (see S. 3091), [10MY]
Staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 2592), [7MY] (see S. 3089, 3090, 3120), (see S. 3140), [10MY]
Stator/rotor parts (see S. 2331), [23AP]
Strong base anionic resin (see S. 2682), [7MY]
Strontium halophosphate doped with europium (see S. 2547), [7MY]
Styrene, ar-ethyl-, polymer with divinylbenzene and styrene beads with low ash (see S. 2655), [7MY]
Subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications (see S. 2586), [7MY]
Surge protectors (see S. 2420), [26AP]
Suspension system stabilizer bars (see S. 3044), [9MY]
Synthetic filament yarns (see S. 2814), [7MY]
Tamper resistant ground fault circuit interrupters (see S. 2421), [26AP]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
Tebufenozide (see S. 2429), [26AP]
Terbacil (see S. 3035), [9MY]
Tertiobutyl catechol flakes and tertiobutyl catechol with a certain percentage of water or methanol (see S. 2517), [7MY]
Tetraethylammonium perfluoroctanesulfonate (see S. 2716), [7MY]
Tetrakis(hydroxymethyl) phosphonium sulfate (see S. 2988), [8MY]
Textile device book style covers (see S. 2582), [7MY]
Textile device covers and stands (see S. 2583), [7MY]
Thermoplastic biodegradable polymer blend (see S. 2405, 2406, 2407), [26AP]
Thiacloprid (see S. 2723), [7MY]
Thiamethoxam (see S. 2594), [7MY]
Thiamethoxam, difenoconazole, fludioxonil, and mefenoxam formulations (see S. 2628), [7MY]
Thidiazuron (see S. 2725), [7MY]
Thionyl chloride (see S. 2710), [7MY]
Thiophanate methyl (see S. 2787), [7MY]
Thiophanate methyl and application adjuvants mixtures (see S. 2776), [7MY]
Thiourea dioxide (see S. 2441), [26AP]
3,5,5-trimethylhexylamine (see S. 2759), [7MY]
3,5-dimethyl-1,2-diazole with polymer of hexane-1,6-diyl diisocyanate in organic solvent reaction product (see S. 2770, 2778), [7MY]
3,3',4,4'-biphenyltetracarboxylic dianhydride (see S. 2755), [7MY]
3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride ([1,1'-biphenyl]-4,4'-diamino, 3,3'-dichloro-) (see S. 2830), [7MY]
(3-acetoxy-3-cyanpropyl)methylphosphinic acid, butyl ester (see S. 2355), [25AP]
3-amino-4-methylbenzamide (see S. 2823), [7MY]
3-amino-1,2-propanediol (see S. 2886), [8MY]
3-methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one (methylionine) (see S. 2500), [26AP]
3-methylylbenzyl chloride (see S. 2974), [8MY]
3-phthalimidopropionaldehyde (see S. 2351), [25AP]
3-trifluoromethyl-4-nitrophenol (see S. 2490), [26AP] (see S. 2873), [8MY]
Thymol (see S. 2996), [8MY]
Time switches (see S. 2419), [26AP]
Tinopal (see S. 2888), [8MY]
Titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3075), [9MY]
Titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3070), [9MY]
Toasters (see S. 2362), [25AP]
Tolfenpyrad technical (see S. 2603), [7MY]
Toric shaped polarized materials (see S. 2576), [7MY]
Tralopyril (see S. 2920), [8MY]
Triacetonamine (see S. 2854), [8MY]
Triadimefon (see S. 3016), [8MY]
Triasulfuron (see S. 2596), [7MY]
Triethylenediamine (see S. 2729), [7MY]
Triflic acid (see S. 2527), [7MY]
Triflic anhydride (see S. 2526), [7MY]
Trifloxysulfuron-sodium (see S. 2593), [7MY]
Trilon MGDA (see S. 2887), [8MY]
Trimethylcyclohexanol (see S. 2984), [8MY]
Trinexapac-ethyl (see S. 3138), [10MY]
Tris(4-isocyanatophenyl)thiophosphate mixtures (see S. 2762), [7MY]
Truck cabs (see S. 2529), [7MY]
Tungsten carbide (see S. 2670), [7MY]
Tungsten concentrate (see S. 2666), [7MY]
Tungsten oxide (see S. 2668), [7MY]
Turmeric extracted oleoresin (see S. 2396), [26AP]
12-hydroxystearic acid (see S. 2442), [26AP]
Twisted viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2935), [8MY]
2,5-bis(1,1-dimethylpropyl)-1,4-benzenediol (see S. 2867), [8MY]
2,5-dimethyl-2, 5 hexanediol (dimethylhexanediol) (see S. 2685), [7MY]
2,4-dichloroaniline (see S. 3137), [10MY]
2,7-naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 3,3'-[carbonylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenydiyl)]bis[4-amino-5-hydroxy-6-(2-phenyldiazenyl)-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3109), [10MY]
2,3-dichloronitrobenzene (see S. 2664), [7MY]
[2,2'-bi-1H-indole]-3,3'-diol, potassium sodium salt (see S. 3100), [10MY]
2,2'-methylenebis (4 methyl 6 tert butylphenol) (see S. 2864), [8MY]
2,2'-(2-methylpropylidene) bis(4,6-dimethylphenol) (see S. 2861), [8MY]
2-acetylbutyrolactone (see S. 2703), [7MY]
2-amino-5-cyano-N,3-dimethylbenzamide (see S. 2588), [7MY]
2-amino-4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2839), [8MY]
2-aminopyridine (see S. 2622), [7MY]
2-anthracenesulfonic acid, 1-amino-9,10-dioxo-4-[[3-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]amino]-, sodium salth (1—2) (see S. 3113), [10MY]
2-benzothiazolythio butanedioic acid (2BBA) (see S. 2790), [7MY]
2-butyl-5-chloro-3H-imidazole-4-carbaldehyde (see S. 2676), [7MY]
2-chlorobenzyl chloride (see S. 3018), [8MY]
2-chlorotoluene (see S. 2713), [7MY]
2-cyclo-hexylidene-2-phenyl acetonitrile (see S. 2487), [26AP]
2-ethylhexyl salicylate (see S. 2903), [8MY]
2-ethylhexylamine (see S. 2761), [7MY]
2-methyl-4-methoxy-6-methylamino-1,3,5-triazine (see S. 2840), [8MY]
2-naphthalenesulfonic acid, 5,5'[carobnylbis(imino-4,1-phenylene-2,1-diazenediyl)]bis[8-[2-(4-sulfophenyl)diazenyl]-, sodium salt (1—4) (see S. 3116), [10MY]
2-oxepanone, polymer with aziridine and tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-one, dodecanoate ester (see S. 2494), [26AP]
2-oxepanone polymer with 1,4-butanediol and 5-isocyanato-1-(isocyanatomethyl)-1,3,3-trimethyl-cyclohexane, 2-ethyl-1-hexanol-blocked (see S. 2783), [7MY]
2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid (see S. 2904), [8MY]
2-propenoic acid, polymer with diethenylbenzene (see S. 2654), [7MY]
2-propenoic acid, reaction products with o-cresol-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde polymer and 3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydro-1,3-isobenzofurandione (see S. 2538), [7MY]
2-(2'-hydroxy-5'-methacrylyloxyethylphenyl)-2 Hbenzotriazole (see S. 2919), [8MY]
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Vacuum-grade ferroniobium or ferrocolombium (see S. 2378), [26AP]
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Vulcanized rubber lug bottom boots for actual use in fishing waders (see S. 2880), [8MY]
Warp knit open-work fabric (see S. 2477), [26AP]
Water-dispersible polyisocyanate products in nexamethylene diisocyanate trimer and cyclohexanamine, N,N-demethyl-, 3-(cyclohexylamino)-1-propanesulfonic acid-blocked 1,6-diisocyanathohexane homopolymer (see S. 2781), [7MY]
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Wide angle reflectors (see S. 2650), [7MY]
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Wind turbine generator power panels (see S. 2952), [8MY]
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Women's footwear designed to be worn in lieu of, but not over, other footwear as a protection against water, oil, grease, or chemicals or cold or inclement weather (see S. 3040), [9MY]
Women's leather footwear with non-pigskin uppers (see S. 2446, 2447), [26AP]
Women's leathered footwear (see S. 3055, 3057), [9MY]
Women's nonenumerated footwear (see S. 2449), [26AP]
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TARIFF ACT

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Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]

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Bankruptcy: clarify rule allowing discharge as a nonpriority claim of governmental claims arising from disposition of farm assets (see S. 3545), [13SE]
Budget: allow taxpayers the opportunity to specify their choice of Federal budget priorities (see S. 2260), [29MR]
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———setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 41), [17AP] (see S. Con. Res. 44), [8MY] (see S. Con. Res. 52), [19JY]
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———extend allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2240), [27MR]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26MR]
———reform international tax system (see S. 2091), [9FE]
———strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
———terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate (see S. 2064), [2FE]
Charities: exempt private foundations from the tax on excess business holdings in the case of certain philanthropic enterprises which are independently supervised (see S. 3377), [12JY]
Chemicals: provide a credit for production of renewable chemicals (see S. 3491), [2AU]
Children and youth: permanently extend the employer-provided child care credit (see S. 3427), [24JY]
Citizenship: provide that persons renouncing citizenship for substantial tax avoidance purposes shall be subject to tax and withholding on capital gains and that such persons should not be admissible to the U.S. (see S. 3205), [17MY]
Colleges and universities: allow a credit for contributions to a trust used to provide need-based college scholarships (see S. 2287), [17AP]
———require institutions of higher education to post certain IRS returns on their websites (see S. 2835), [7MY]
Conservation of energy: improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———improve and extend deduction for new and existing energy-efficient commercial buildings (see S. 3591), [20SE]
Construction industries: protect employees in the building and construction industry who are participants in multiemployer plans (see S. 3700), [20DE]
Consumers: provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Creating Small Business Jobs Act: extend certain provisions (see S. 2050), [31JA]
Crime: prevent identity theft and tax fraud (see S. 3432), [25JY]
Dept. of Justice: provide effective criminal prosecutions and increase penalties for tax return identity thefts (see S. 3688), [17DE]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 40), [15MY] (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Disasters: increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]
———provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
Drugs: include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines (see S. 3716), [2JA]
Ecology and environment: modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform (see S. 3401), [18JY] (see S. 3413), [19JY] (see S. 3417), [23JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax and estate tax relief (see S. 3393), [17JY]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (see S. 3412), [19JY]
———jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
———provide a comprehensive deficit reduction plan through dollar for dollar debt ceiling increase and entitlement program reform (see S. 3673), [12DE]
———rebuild middle class by creating jobs, building opportunity for working families, and restoring balance to the tax code (see S. 2252), [29MR]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
———spur economic growth and create jobs (see S. 2199), [15MR]
Education: provide a credit for early childhood education professional school personnel, expand deduction for expenses to early childhood education teachers, and modify credit for dependent care services (see S. 2180), [8MR]
Electric power: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
Employment: limit authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (see S. 3485), [2AU]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———provide a credit for employer-provided job training (see S. 3466), [1AU]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs back and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
Families and domestic relations: exempt certain family-owned farms and businesses from the estate tax (see S. 2200), [15MR]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [21SE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———repeal estate and gift taxes (see S. 3403), [19JY]
Federal employees: require individuals who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose financial accounts deposited in a country that is a tax haven (see S. 2253), [29MR]

———require Members and employees of Congress and other Federal employees who file under the Ethics in Government Act to disclose delinquent tax liability (see S. 2195), [15MR]
Health: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———provide an additional religious exemption from the individual health coverage mandate (see S. 3695), [19DE]
Historic buildings and sites: provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
Homeless: qualify formerly homeless youth who are students for purposes of low income housing tax credit (see S. 3494), [2AU]
Immigration: require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [10MY]
Individual retirement accounts: rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
Insurance: clarify tax treatment of certain life insurance contract transactions (see S. 2048), [31JA]
———increase alternative tax liability limitation for small property and casualty insurance companies (see S. 3594), [20SE]
Internal Revenue Code: extend certain expiring provisions (see S. 3521), [10SE]
Investments: end derivatives blended rate loophole that subsidizes short-term speculation (see S. 2033), [23JA]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to the health insurance premium tax credit (see S.J. Res. 48), [31JY]
———permit issuance of prospective guidance clarifying employment status of individuals for purposes of employment taxes and to prevent retroactive assessments relative to such clarifications (see S. 2145), [1MR]
Mortgages: exclude from gross income of individual taxpayers discharges of indebtedness attributable to certain foreign residential mortgage obligations (see S. 2144), [29FE]
———permanently extend the private mortgage insurance tax deduction (see S. 3470), [1AU]
———prevent an unfair tax burden for veterans and homeowners who have received assistance from the National Mortgage Settlement (see S. 3224), [23MY]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [29MR]
Motor vehicles: extend and modify the credit for certain plug-in vehicles (see S. 2161), [6MR]
Music and dance: make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [29MR]
Native Americans: allow Indian tribes to receive charitable contributions of apparently wholesome food (see S. 3299), [14JN]
Natural gas: promote domestic development and deployment and expedite transition to natural gas as a vehicle fuel (see S. 2070), [6FE]
Olympic Games: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [1AU]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: provide that the individual mandate shall not be construed as a tax (see S. 3411), [19JY]
Pensions: clarify tax treatment of church pension plans (see S. 3532), [12SE]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Political campaigns: prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
———reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Power resources: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
———eliminate certain subsidies for fossil-fuel production (see S. 3080), [10MY]
———eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [19MR]
———increase, expand, and extend the credit for hydrogen-related alternative fuel vehicle refueling property and increase investment credit for more efficient fuel cells (see S. 3531), [12SE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Real estate: expand rehabilitation credit (see S. 2074), [6FE]
Recycled materials: clarify that paper which is commonly recycled does not constitute a qualified energy resource under the renewable electricity production credit (see S. 2143), [29FE]
Renewable energy: extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
Research: extend, expand, and improve the qualifying therapeutic discovery project credit (see S. 3232), [23MY]
———make permanent and increase credit for increasing research activities and increase domestic production activities deduction for property for which research and development occurred in the U.S. (see S. 3307), [18JN]
Roads and highways: extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
Senior citizens: provide a credit for eldercare expenses (see S. 3226), [23MY]
Small business: expand and simplify the credit for employee health insurance expenses of small employers (see S. 2227), [22MR]
———extend the time for making S corporation elections (see S. 2271), [29MR]
———make permanent the increased deduction for business start-up expenditures (see S. 2088), [9FE]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [23MY]
———prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———provide a taxpayer bill of rights (see S. 2291), [17AP]
———provide certainty for small business concerns (see S. 3572), [19SE]
———provide expensing for small businesses (see S. 2284), [16AP]
———provide for startup businesses to use a portion of the research and development credit to offset payroll taxes (see S. 3460), [31JY]
———provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Social Security: amend extension of temporary employee payroll tax holiday to give individuals the choice of whether to participate (see S. 2107), [14FE]
———improve old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, provide cash relief for years when annual cost-of-living increases do not take effect, and provide benefit protection (see S. 3651), [4DE]
Solar energy: require the use of domestic property to be eligible for certain tax incentives for solar energy (see S. 3183), [15MY]
Technology: provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
Tobacco products: provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]
Veterans: extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
Water: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]

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Employment: provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs back and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
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Computers: improve cybersecurity by collaborating with industry, enhancing information sharing, strengthening criminal statutes for cyber crimes, and updating Federal security standards (see S. 2151), [1MR] (see S. 3342), [27JN]

———provide authority to monitor and defend against cyber threats and improve sharing of cybersecurity information (see S. 2102), [13FE]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
Dept. of Defense: require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment (see S. 3554), [19SE]
Dept. of Education: establish a career and technical innovation fund (see S. 3710), [27DE]
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Dept. of Energy: improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [31JY]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
———provide for research and education to improve screening, detection, and diagnosis of prostate cancer (see S. 3345), [27JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
———establish an F–4 nonimmigrant visa for aliens pursuing advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and authorize conditional permanent residency for such aliens (see S. 3192), [16MY]
———provide certain immigration benefits for aliens with advanced degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (see S. 3185), [15MY]
Dept. of Justice: provide Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs and establish a Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry (see S. 3250), [24MY]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
Education: increase participation of historically underrepresented demographic groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and industry (see S. 3475), [1AU]
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (see S.J. Res. 37), [16FE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Government regulations: eliminate requirements for duplicative clinical testing of new drugs, vaccines, biological products, or medical devices if inconsistent with relevant ethical norms (see S. 3506), [2AU]
Health: protect privacy of protected health information by requiring health care providers to encrypt devices that store health information, restricting access, and improving congressional oversight (see S. 3351), [27JN]
Information technology: improve enforcement of criminal and civil law with respect to cloud computing (see S. 3569), [19SE]
International Chemistry Olympiad: commend participants and hosts and encourage pursuit of careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (see S. Res. 491), [12JN]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [13SE]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
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NASA: reaffirm and amend legislation authorizing appropriations (see S. 3661), [5DE]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Health Information Technology Week: designate (see S. Res. 562), [19SE]
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: anniversary (see S. Res. 499), [19JN]
National security: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
Patent and Trademark Office: allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable (see S. 3652), [4DE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
SBA: establish a vocational and technical entrepreneurship development demonstration program (see S. 3174), [14MY]
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Space policy: authorize the President to determine appropriate export controls of satellites and related items based on national security and foreign policy objectives (see S. 3211), [21MY]
Syria: impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]
Tariff: digital camera lenses (see S. 2408, 2412), [26AP]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———lightweight digital camera lenses (see S. 2409, 2410, 2411), [26AP]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
Taxation: disapprove rule relative to taxable medical devices (see S.J. Res. 51), [21DE]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
———modify credit for carbon dioxide sequestration (see S. 3581), [20SE]
———provide exception from passive loss rules for investments in high technology research small business pass-thru entities (see S. 3595), [20SE]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act: extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
Cloture motions
National security: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Motions
EPA: disapprove rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37), [20JN]
National security: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Reports filed
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
Dept. of Justice Protection of Crime Victims' Rights and Certain DNA-Related Grant Programs Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 250), [21JN]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Research and Innovative Technology Administration Transportation Research and Development Reauthorization and Improvement: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1953) (S. Rept. 112–236), [13NO]
Undertaking Spam, Spyware, and Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers Beyond Borders (U.S. SAFE WEB) Act Extension: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410) (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]

TEEN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]

TELECOMMUNICATIONS
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: increase civil penalties for institutions of higher education that fail to comply with campus security disclosure and campus crime statistics policies (see S. 2285), [16AP]
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Crime: provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: establish grant program within rural broadband program (see S. 2275), [29MR]
———improve the program of access to broadband telecommunications services in rural areas (see S. 2298), [18AP]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
———promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Spectrum: encourage licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
Tariff: subassemblies for measuring equipment for telecommunications (see S. 2586), [7MY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [14FE] (see S. 3414), [19JY]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Telephones: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireless telephone bills (see S. 3291), [13JN]
Cloture motions
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]
Motions
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [25JY], [26JY], [31JY]
Reports filed
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]
Promote a Global Internet Free From Government Control and Preserve and Advance the Multistakeholder Governance Model Currently in Effect: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Con. Res. 50), [19SE]
Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911) (S. Rept. 112–260), [21DE]
Strengthening Public-Safety and Enhancing Communications Through Reform, Utilization, and Modernization (SPECTRUM) Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 911), [14NO]

TELEPHONES
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: list employers that relocate call centers overseas, make such companies ineligible for Federal grants and loans, and require call center employees to disclose their physical location (see S. 3402), [18JY]
Consumers: prohibit unauthorized third-party charges on wireline telephone bills (see S. 3291), [13JN]
Dept. of HHS: authorize a national toll-free hotline and website to provide child care consumer education information to help parents access child care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program (see S. 2135), [28FE]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [15MY]
Families and domestic relations: establish a toll-free telephone helpline to provide information and assistance to parents and caregivers of children to prevent child abuse and strengthen families (see S. 2293), [18AP]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Telecommunications: encourage spectrum licensees to make unused spectrum available to rural and smaller carriers to expand wireless coverage (see S. 3516), [2AU]
———require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Reports filed
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Location Privacy Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1223), [17DE]

TELEVISION *related term(s)* **NEWS MEDIA; TELECOMMUNICATIONS**
Bills and resolutions
FEMA: modernize the integrated public alert and warning system (see S. 2319), [19AP]
Reports filed
Permit Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1945), [13FE]

TEMPORARY DUTY SUSPENSION PROCESS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3292), [13JN]

10 MILLION SOLAR ROOFS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1108) (S. Rept. 112–144), [7FE]

TENNESSEE
Reports filed
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]

TENNESSEE WILDERNESS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]

TERRITORIES (U.S.)
Bills and resolutions
Minorities: improve health of minority individuals (see S. 2474), [26AP]

TERRORISM *related term(s)* **CRIME**
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: award Purple Heart to members killed or wounded in terrorist attacks perpetrated within the U.S. (see S. 2885), [8MY]
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate): authorize release of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations records on creation of anti-money laundering and terrorist financing vulnerabilities (see S. Res. 616), [13DE]
Committee on Investigation of the September 11, 2012, Terrorist Attacks in Benghazi, Libya (Senate, Select): establish (see S. Res. 594), [14NO]
Courts: amend statute of limitations for civil actions regarding terrorist acts (see S. 3534), [12SE]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Dept. of Homeland Security: making appropriations (see S. 3216), [22MY]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
———require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [13SE]
———require report on designation of Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3249), [24MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: extend certain counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (see S. 3276), [7JN]
———provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 575, 588), [21SE]
National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]
National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]
National security: deter public disclosure of evidence or information on U.S. covert actions by prohibiting security clearances to individuals who make such disclosures (see S. 3367), [10JY]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Preparedness and Resilience Foundation: establish to assist the Government in providing disaster assistance (see S. 2202), [15MR]
Public utilities: authorize the obtaining of national criminal history background checks of certain employees in sensitive positions (see S. 3707), [21DE]

Syria: require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]
Turkey: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
Messages
Blocking Property of Persons Threatening the Peace, Security, or Stability of Yemen: President Obama, [16MY]
Blocking Property of the Government of Iran and Iranian Financial Institutions: President Obama, [6FE]
National Defense Authorization Act Section 1022 Implementation Procedures Relative to Detainee Military Custody Requirements: President Obama, [28FE]
National Emergency Relative to Côte D'Ivoire: President Obama, [6FE]
National Emergency Relative to Democratic People's Republic of Korea: President Obama, [18JN]
National Emergency Relative to Iran: President Obama, [31JY]
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to Significant Transnational Criminal Organizations: President Obama, [18JY]
National Emergency Relative to Syria: President Obama, [9MY]
National Emergency Relative to Terrorist Attacks on the U.S. of September 11, 2011: President Obama, [11SE]
National Emergency Relative to the Stabilization of Iraq: President Obama, [21MY]
National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]
Reports filed
Dept. of Homeland Security Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3216) (S. Rept. 112–169), [22MY]
FAA Sunsets Extension Act: Committee on Intelligence (Senate, Select) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–174), [7JN]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276), [19JY]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3276) (S. Rept. 112–229), [20SE]
Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]
U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]

TERRY, BRIAN A.
Reports filed
Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station, Bisbee, AZ: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2668), [7MY]

TESTER, JON *(a Senator from Montana)*
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [10JY]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [12JY]
———promote biobased manufacturing (see S. 2155), [5MR]
American Diabetes Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 600), [26NO]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [20JN]
———enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [26JN]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [7MY]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [24JA]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [8MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Buy American Act: ensure that all items for sale in National Park Service or National Archives and Records Administration gift shops are produced in the U.S. (see S. 2268), [31JY]
CFTC: take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets (see S. 2222), [27MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [26JA]
Children and youth: revise and extend programs to support planning, implementation, and evaluation of organized activities involving statewide youth suicide early intervention and prevention strategies (see S. 740), [10MY]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [10JY]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [10MY]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [27MR] (see S. 3286), [19JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [29FE]
———establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [17JY]
Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services: implement recommendations (see S. 1018), [23JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorize the Transition Assistance Advisor Program (see S. 3354), [11SE]
———modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [26MR]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [19JN]
Dept. of HHS: assist low-income individuals in obtaining recommended dental care (see S. 1878), [21MY]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [29JN]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [15MY]
———provide protections for consumers against excessive, unjustified, or unfairly discriminatory increases in insurance premium rates (see S. 137), [24JY]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [7MY]
———reduce preterm labor, delivery, and risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity (see S. 1440), [24JA]
Dept. of Homeland Security: prohibit the procurement of certain items unless they are domestically grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced (see S. 2114), [15FE]
Dept. of HUD: reform laws relative to small public housing agencies (see S. 3538), [13SE]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: authorize conveyance of mineral rights in Montana to settle claims of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe (see S. 2110), [15FE]
———establish Rocky Mountain Front Conservation Management Area, designate certain lands as wilderness, and improve management of noxious weeds in Lewis and Clark National Forest (see S. 1774), [27MR]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [27FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: assist in identification of unclaimed and abandoned human remains to determine if any such remains are eligible for burial in a national cemetery (see S. 2244), [7MY]
———clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [30JA]
———consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [21JN]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [8MY]
———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [23MY]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve and enhance programs and activities on suicide prevention and resilience and behavior health disorders for Armed Forces members and veterans (see S. 3340), [11SE]
———improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [17MY]
Diseases: issue semipostal stamp to support Alzheimer's disease research (see S. Res. 176), [26JY]
———provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
———raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [4DE]
———support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [16MY]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures by corporations or labor organizations intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 35), [24JA]
———constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [24JA]
EPA: change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule with respect to certain farms (see S. 3559), [19SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about

Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: provide incentives for the development of qualified infectious disease products (see S. 1734), [19AP]
Federal agencies and departments: treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [20JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [12SE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [9JY]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [8MY]
———improve provision of assistance to fire departments (see S. 550), [26MR]
———waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [28JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [19MR]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [6JN]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [17JY]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Housing Act: revise census data and population requirements for areas to be considered rural areas (see S. 3541), [21SE]
Human rights: prevent human trafficking in Government contracting (see S. 2234), [16MY]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: increase maximum age for children eligible for medical care under the CHAMPVA program (see S. 490), [24JA]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [26MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Law enforcement: reform the ATF, modernize firearms laws and regulations, and protect the community from criminals (see S. 835), [26MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [17AP]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [26JA]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [21JN]
———protect and preserve access of beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers (see S. 1680), [23JA]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [20SE]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Asbestos Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 389), [6MR]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Day of the American Cowboy: designate (see S. Res. 470), [23MY]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 455), [10MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: deem certain claims presented to an Indian Health Service contracting officer pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act as timely presented (see S. 2389), [26AP]
———reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [24AP]
Pakistan: prohibit assistance until Shakeel Afridi is freed (see S. 3269), [24JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [28DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [14JN]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: allow refunds of Federal motor fuel excise taxes on fuels used in mobile mammography vehicles (see S. 84), [24JA]
———broaden special rules for certain governmental health reimbursement arrangements to include plans established by political subdivisions (see S. 1366), [21MR]
———establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [24JA]
———expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [10SE]
———extend estate and gift tax rules (see S. 3440), [25JY]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———extend time period for contributing military death gratuities to Roth IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts (see S. 3234), [24MY]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [20SE]
———promote neutrality, simplicity, and fairness in the taxation of digital goods and services (see S. 971), [12JY]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [23MY]
———support and strengthen tax incentives for retirement savings (see S. Con. Res. 62), [6DE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Veterans: allow certain veterans with service-connected disabilities to travel on military aircraft (see S. 67), [6JN]
———issue a Victory for Veterans stamp (see S. 3380), [12JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [9MY]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: recognize superior service of members of the First Special Service Force (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
———tribute to members of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: provide behavioral health readiness services to members of Reserve components based on need (see S. 2466), [26AP]
Collector Car Appreciation Day: designate (see S. Res. 452), [9MY]
Courts: reinstate reporting provision relative to fees and expenses awarded to prevailing parties in civil actions involving the U.S. (see S. 2042), [30JA]
Dept. of the Interior: settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———reauthorize Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education (see S. 3282), [11JN]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [29MR]
Federal agencies and departments: reduce Federal advertising budgets (see S. 3540), [13SE]
Federal employees: allow conversion of temporary seasonal wildland firefighters and other seasonal employees in Federal land management agencies to permanent seasonal positions (see S. 3585), [20SE]
Flag—U.S.: protect (see S. 3296), [14JN]
Glacier National Park: issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines (see S. 2229), [22MR]
House of Representatives: repeal authorization to provide office space, a furnishings allowance, congressional franking privileges, and staff assistance to former Speakers of the House (see S. 3528), [11SE]
Members of Congress: eliminate automatic salary adjustments (see S. 2210), [20MR]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [24AP]
National parks and recreation areas: make the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Pass available at a discount to veterans (see S. 3596), [20SE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
Veterans: exempt health care programs from sequestration (see S. 2128), [17FE]
———increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and depend-

ency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), motion to proceed, [6DE], [11DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [28DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [26NO]

TEXAS
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Endangered species: halt premature proposed listing of certain central Texas salamander species resulting from a settlement agreement and take into account ongoing State and local conservation efforts (see S. 3446), [26JY]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: designate (see S. 3304), [18JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]
Native Americans: repeal law prohibiting gaming activities, otherwise prohibited in Texas, on Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas lands (see S. 3654), [4DE]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Reports filed
Determine Blood Quantum Requirement for Membership in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 1560), [31JY]
George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush U.S. Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building, Midland, TX: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3304), [10JY]

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Manziel, Johnny: Heisman Trophy recipient (see S. Res. 617), [13DE]

TEXTILE INDUSTRY AND FABRICS
Bills and resolutions
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Federal agencies and departments: require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [26JY]
Tariff: acrylic fiber tow (see S. 3129), [10MY]
———acrylic filament tow (see S. 3087), (see S. 3127, 3128, 3154, 3155, 3156, 3157, 3159), [10MY]
———acrylic or modacrylic staple fibers, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3097), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers (see S. 3086), (see S. 3123, 3124, 3125, 3126), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3094, 3095), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3158), [10MY]
———acrylic staple fibers, not dyed, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3093, 3096), [10MY]
———boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers (see S. 3059), [9MY]
———camel hair not processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2312), [19AP]
———camel hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2313), [19AP]
———camel hair waste (see S. 2311), [19AP]
———carded camel hair yarn (see S. 2315), [19AP]
———carded cashmere yarn (see S. 2305, 2307), [19AP]
———carded or combed camel hair (see S. 2309), [19AP]
———cashmere goat hair processed beyond the degreased or carbonized condition (see S. 2306), [19AP]
———combed cashmere yarn or camel hair yarn (see S. 2308), [19AP]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with a layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2876), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester and with other fabric layers of either blends of hemp and cotton or polyester microfleece (see S. 2875), [8MY]
———diaper pads with an outer layer of water-resistant laminated knitted fabric of polyester with an inner layer or layers of certified organic cotton (see S. 2877), [8MY]
———diaper shells each having a water-resistant outer layer of laminated knitted fabric of polyester and a lining of mesh fabric wholly of polyester (see S. 2878), [8MY]
———fabrics of man-made fibers consisting of one or two layers of expanded poly-tetrafluoroethylene sheeting layered between an outer knit fabric wholly of nylon and another outer woven fabric (see S. 2874), [8MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers (see S. 3060), [9MY]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———knitted or crocheted fabrics containing elastomeric yarn (see S. 2743), [7MY]
———made up articles (see S. 3107), [10MY]
———modacrylic staple fibers (see S. 3121), (see S. 3122), [10MY]
———noils of camel hair (see S. 2314), [19AP]
———plaiting material products suitable for use in window shades (see S. 3150, 3151), [10MY]
———rayon filament tow (see S. 3088), [10MY]
———reliquidation of certain entries of polyester fleece sheet sets (see S. 2947), [8MY]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
———staple fibers of rayon, carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 3092), [10MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon (see S. 2838), [7MY] (see S. 3091), [10MY]
———staple fibers of viscose rayon, not carded, combed, or otherwise processed for spinning (see S. 2592), [7MY] (see S. 3089, 3090, 3120), (see S. 3140), [10MY]
———synthetic filament yarns (see S. 2814), [7MY]
———textile device book style covers (see S. 2582), [7MY]
———textile device covers and stands (see S. 2583), [7MY]
———twisted viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2935), [8MY]
———untwisted filament yarns (see S. 2815), [7MY]
———viscose rayon yarn (see S. 2934), [8MY]
———warp knit open-work fabric (see S. 2477), [26AP]
———women's belts of leather or composition leather (see S. 2452), [26AP]
———woven fabric containing vicuna hair (see S. 2310), [19AP]
———zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys (see S. 2564), [7MY]
Reports filed
African Growth and Opportunity Act Addition of South Sudan to List of Eligible Countries and Third Country Fabric Program Extension: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]

THEFT OF TRADE SECRETS CLARIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3642), [27NO]

THERIOT, GERALD
Prayers
Senate, [28FE]

THUNDER BAY NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY AND UNDERWATER PRESERVE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 485) (S. Rept. 112–134), [26JA]

THUNE, JOHN ***(a Senator from South Dakota)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [1MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of

the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [11JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———modify discretionary spending limits to take into account savings resulting from the reduction in the number of Federal employees and extending the Federal employee pay freeze (see S. 2065), [2FE]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Consumers: require disclosure of terms of rental-purchase agreements (see S. 881), [8MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: award competitive grants to public and private entities to provide qualified sexual risk avoidance education to youth and their parents (see S. 2185), [12MR]
———ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [19JN]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 46), [28JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: treat small businesses bequeathed to family by Armed Forces members killed in the line of duty as owned and controlled by veterans for contracting goals and preferences (see S. 3405), [31JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Ellsworth AFB, SD: anniversary (see S. Res. 464), [16MY]
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [24AP]
———establish a committee to assess the effects of certain Federal regulatory mandates and provide for relief from those mandates (see S. 1971), [16FE]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [27JN]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [29MR]
Food industry: improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants, similar retail food establishments, and vending machines (see S. 3574), [30NO]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Health: repeal excise tax on medical devices (see S. 17), [17JY]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [21MY]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [25JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [8MY]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: disapprove rule relative to reporting requirements for interest on deposits maintained at U.S. offices of certain financial institutions and is paid to certain nonresident alien individuals (see S.J. Res. 40), [23MY]
———make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [20SE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [29FE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [18JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: clarify and expand on criteria applicable to patient admission to and care furnished in participating long-term care hospitals (see S. 1486), [30JA]
National Adoption Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Adoption Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 595), [29NO]
National Physical Education and Sport Week: designate (see S. Res. 444), [26AP]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [10MY] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [16FE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Pro Football Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 3077), [27DE]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [24JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [18JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN]
———impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [12JN]
SBA: extend availability of low-interest mortgage refinancing under the local development business loan program (see S. 2364), [7JN]
Small business: preserve option for businesses to operate as they choose, including as flow-through entities, and oppose tax changes forcing such businesses to reorganize as C corporations (see S. Res. 88), [10SE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
SSI: clarify that the value of certain funeral and burial arrangements are not to be considered available resources (see S. 2150), [7MR]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [1MR]
Taxation: expand availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations (see S. 1512), [28FE]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———permanently extend treatment of certain farming business machinery and equipment as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation (see S. 700), [29MR]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [6JN]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [15MY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [15NO]
———require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [1AU]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [24AP]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [29JN]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Budget: require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Dept. of Agriculture: convey cemeteries located on National Forest System land in the Black Hills National Forest to local South Dakota communities maintaining such cemeteries (see S. 3288), [13JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]

National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]
Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
Taxation: prohibit requirement that taxpayers reconcile amounts relative to reportable payment transactions to amounts related to gross receipts and sales (see S. 2083), [9FE]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]

TIBETAN POLICY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Reports filed
Support People of Tibet, Call on China To Allow Free Practice of Religion and Release Political Prisoners, and Congratulate Tibetans Living in Exile for Holding Democratic Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 356), [28MR]

***TITANIC* (R.M.S.)**
Bills and resolutions
Ships and vessels: provide additional protections for ship and wreck site (see S. 2279), [29MR]
Reports filed
R.M.S. *Titanic* Maritime Memorial Preservation Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 2279) (S. Rept. 112–247), [5DE]

TOBACCO PRODUCTS
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: preparations intended to assist smokers to stop smoking (see S. 3144), [10MY]
Taxation: provide tax rate parity among all tobacco products (see S. 3081), [10MY]

TOBACCO TAX EQUITY ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3081), [10MY]

TOBIN, KATHERINE
Appointments
U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission, [19DE]

TODAY'S ENTREPRENEURS ARE AMERICA'S MENTORS (TEAM) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3214), [22MY]

TOMBALL, TX
Reports filed
Tomball Veterans Post Office, Tomball, TX: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2660), [25AP]

TOOMEY, PATRICK J. ***(a Senator from Pennsylvania)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [20JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [24AP]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: balance through reductions of discretionary and mandatory spending (see S. 1316), [26JA]
———cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Colleges and universities: preserve State and institutional authority relative to State authorization and the definition of credit hour (see S. 1297), [28FE]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
Dept. of Justice: support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [20JN]
Dept. of Labor: prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of State: allow issuance of a certain number of E–3 visas per year to Irish nationals (see S. 2005), [27FE]
———require investigations into and a report on attacks on the U.S. missions in Libya, Egypt, and Yemen (see S. 3551), [27NO]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [18DE]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [16MY]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [20JN]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Flag—U.S.: constitutional amendment to prohibit desecration (see S.J. Res. 19), [17JY]
FRS: require an audit of the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve banks (see S. 202), [1AU]
———require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to conduct a small business review panel on the qualified mortgage rule before the Bureau can go forward with a final rule (see S. 3571), [19SE]
Gettysburg National Military Park: revise boundaries to include the Gettysburg Train Station (see S. 1897), [24JA]
Government-sponsored enterprises: establish a term for conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and provide conditions for continued operations, wind down, and dissolution of such enterprises (see S. 693), [26JN]
———suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [1FE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [20SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [31JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [5MR]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [5JN]
———recognize Jerusalem as capital and support relocation of U.S. Embassy (see S. 1622), [31JA]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP] (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [24JY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [24JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units (see S. 1843), [28FE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [13NO]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———provide information and limits on total spending on means-tested welfare programs and provide additional work requirements (see S. 1904), [22MY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Securities: provide end user exemptions for certain derivative sales (see S. 3480), [1AU]
Senate: require sponsoring Senators to pay printing costs for ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions (see S. 3519), [2AU]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Taxation: repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Teen Cancer Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 573), [20SE]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [24MY]
U.S. Chamber of Commerce: anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [29FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [8MY]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: leave no member unaccounted for in the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan (see S. Res. 593), [14NO]
Army: require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]
Budget: setting forth the Federal budget for 2013–2022 (see S. Con. Res. 37), [29MR]
Carlisle, PA: report on establishment of a joint Army/Navy storage and preservation facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (see S. 3634), [15NO]
Dept. of Defense: require an independent study and report on simulated tactical flight training in a sustained gravity environment (see S. 3554), [19SE]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
Egypt: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
GAO: include in annual report to Congress a list of the most common grounds for sustaining protests relative to bids for contracts (see S. 3690), [19DE]
Privacy: require certain entities that collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice in the case of a breach of security involving such information (see S. 3333), [21JN]
Transportation Security Administration: transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [27NO]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]

TOPEKA, KS
Bills and resolutions
Law enforcement officers: tribute to police officers killed in the line of duty, [18DE]

TOPSAIL, NC
Bills and resolutions
Coastal zones: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]

TORNADOES *related term(s)* **DISASTERS**
Reports filed
Natural Hazards Risk Reduction Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 646) (S. Rept. 112–150), [27FE]

TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT
Bills and resolutions
EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
Reports filed
Safe Chemicals Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 847) (S. Rept. 112–264), [27DE]

TOYS
Bills and resolutions
Senate: permit collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings (see S. Res. 597), [15NO]
Tariff: bags for toys (see S. 2560), [7MY]
———carrying cases of plastics with molded handles shaped to hold toys (see S. 2565), [7MY]
———educational toys or devices (see S. 2561), [7MY]
———electronic drawing toys, electronic games, or educational toys cases or containers (see S. 2562), [7MY] (see S. 3045), [9MY]
———injection-molded ABS of PP cases or containers used for electronic drawing toys or electronic games (see S. 3046), [9MY]
———plastic stylus pens for use with toys (see S. 2566), [7MY]
———protective cases of molded silicone for toys (see S. 2563), [7MY]
———zippered cases of textile materials with textile straps for toys (see S. 2564), [7MY]

TRADE ACT
Bills and resolutions
Citrus Disease Research and Development Trust Fund: establish (see S. 3568), [19SE]
Reports filed
Citrus, Wool, and Cotton Trust Fund Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568), [19SE]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3568) (S. Rept. 112–227), [20SE]

TRADEMARKS
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: protect the phrases GI Bill and Post-9/11 GI Bill from inappropriate or misleading marketing by entities targeting veterans (see S. 3318), [20JN]

TRAILS
Bills and resolutions
North Country National Scenic Trail: revise route to include trails along Lake Superior's north shore and in Superior National Forest and Chippewa National Forest in Minnesota (see S. 3319), [20JN]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Reports filed
Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]
Public Lands Service Corps Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 896) (S. Rept. 112–120), [23JA]

TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LTD.
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]

TRANSPORTATION *related term(s)* **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; MOTOR VEHICLES; ROADS AND HIGHWAYS**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———permit a State to issue a commercial drivers' license to a member whose duty station is located in the State (see S. 3624), [21SE]
Aviation: ensure certain flight, duty, and rest requirements apply to all-cargo air operations (see S. 3263), [5JN]
———establish an air travelers' bill of rights (see S. 3302), [14JN]
———require security screening of passengers at airports to be carried out by private screening companies (see S. 3303), [14JN]
BLM: provide for land conveyances in Nevada for Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument and other Federal, State, and local projects (see S. 3346), [27JN]
Coast Guard: require development and posting of passenger capacity limits for recreational vessels over a certain length (see S. 3537), [13SE]
Dept. of Agriculture: provide Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service expedited authority to remove geese that threaten aircraft (see S. 2377), [26AP]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of Homeland Security: contract with an independent laboratory to study health effects of backscatter x-ray machines used at airline checkpoints and improve notice to airline passengers (see S. 2044), [31JA]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 2322), [19AP]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 3268), [6JN]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
Foreign trade: allow public-private partnerships to fund additional staffing and alternative financing for infrastructure improvements at land border ports of entry (see S. 3279), [7JN]
Investments: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Motor vehicles: exempt natural gas vehicles from certain maximum fuel economy increase standards (see S. 2174), [8MR]
———improve certain laws relative to use of high occupancy vehicle facilities (see S. 3191), [16MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National Youth Traffic Safety Month: designate (see S. Res. 441), [26AP]
Natural gas: provide assistance to States to carry out initiatives to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel and public and private investment in natural gas vehicles and transportation infrastructure (see S. 3437), [25JY]
Senior citizens: provide for a Seniors' Financial Bill of Rights (see S. 3621), [21SE]
States: recognize authority to regulate air ambulance medical standards (see S. 2376), [26AP]
Taxation: exempt certain air taxi services from taxes on transportation by air (see S. 3451), [26JY]
———extend authorities relating to the Highway Trust Fund and provide revenues for highway programs (see S. 2132), [27FE]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to renewable energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
Transportation Security Administration: appoint passenger advocates at certain airports to assist elderly

and disabled passengers who believe they have been mistreated by personnel (see S. 2207), [20MR]
———modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
———prohibit establishment by air carriers and airport operators of expedited lines at airport screening checkpoints for specific categories of passengers (see S. 2235), [26MR]
———transfer unclaimed clothes recovered at airport security checkpoints to local veterans organizations and other charities (see S. 3640), [27NO]
Cloture motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE], [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Motions
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [7FE], [15FE], [1MR], [8MR], [13MR], [14MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs pending enactment of a multiyear reauthorization (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enhancement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1950) (S. Rept. 112–238), [13NO]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Depts. of Transportation and HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2322) (S. Rept. 112–157), [19AP]
European Union Emissions Trading Scheme Prohibition Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1956) (S. Rept. 112–195), [2AU]
Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1952) (S. Rept. 112–162), [25AP]
Highway Investment, Job Creation and Economic Growth Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 2132) (S. Rept. 112–152), [27FE]
Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]
Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1449) (S. Rept. 112–261), [21DE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21): Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1813), [6FE]
Research and Innovative Technology Administration Transportation Research and Development Reauthorization and Improvement: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1953) (S. Rept. 112–236), [13NO]

TRANT, WILLIAM T.
Reports filed
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2767), [25AP]

TRASH FREE SEAS ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

TRAVEL AND TOURISM
Bills and resolutions
Federal agencies and departments: limit authority to award bonuses to employees and require approval of, and reporting on high cost conferences (see S. 3481), [2AU]
———prohibit policy that discourages or prohibits the selection of a resort or vacation destination as the location for a conference or event (see S. 2469), [26AP]
Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Transportation Security Administration: modify screening requirements for checked baggage arriving from preclearance airports (see S. 3542), [13SE]
Visas: stimulate international tourism by reforming the visa process, encouraging Canadian and Chinese tourism to the U.S., and updating the visa waiver program (see S. 2233), [26MR] (see S. 3199), [17MY]

TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]
Children and youth: call on all governments to assist in the safe return of children abducted from or wrongfully retained outside the country of their habitual residence (see S. Res. 449), [9MY]
———provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards (see S. 3331), [21JN]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [21JN]
Egypt: prohibit use of funds for U.S. participation in joint military exercises if Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty (see S. 3670), [12DE]
Foreign aid: suspend aid to Libya and Egypt until it is certified they are providing proper security at U.S. Embassies and consulates pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (see S. Res. 556), [13SE]
Foreign trade: apply countervailing duties to nonmarket economy countries (see S. 2153), [5MR]
———make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
———prohibit purchases by the Federal Government of Chinese goods and services until China becomes a party to the Agreement on Government Procurement (see S. 3449), [26JY]
———report on countries with which the U.S. negotiates trade agreements, establish terms for future trade agreements, and enhance promotion of exports of U.S. goods and services (see S. 3347), [27JN]
Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [2AU]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
NATO: facilitate U.S. exportation of natural gas to allies (see S. 3671), [12DE]
———honor sacrifices of personnel in Afghanistan and historically throughout the world and support the new Strategic Concept and upcoming summit in Chicago, IL (see S. Res. 395), [13MR]
———strengthen (see S. 2177), [8MR]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
———take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Patent Law Treaty: implement (see S. 3486), [2AU]
Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Turkey: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]
Messages
Convention on the Law Applicable to Certain Rights in Respect of Securities Held With an Intermediary: President Obama, [17MY]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: President Obama, [17MY]
Protocol Amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters: President Obama, [17MY]
Tax Convention With Chile: President Obama, [17MY]
Motions
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: ratify, [27NO]
Reports filed
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (Exec. Rept. 112–6), [31JY]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) Textile and Apparel Rules of Origin Modification: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326), [18JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–225), [20SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Compliance by Certain Countries and Procedures for Prompt Return of Children Abducted to Other Countries: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 543), [19SE]
Honor Sacrifices of NATO Personnel in Afghanistan and Historically Throughout the World and Support the New Strategic Concept and Upcoming Summit in Chicago, IL: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 395), [28MR]
Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 3331) (S. Rept. 112–234), [13NO]
Patent Law Treaties Implementation Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 3486), [20SE]
Pirate Fishing Elimination Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1980) (S. Rept. 112–255), [19DE]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]
U.S.-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1641) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]

TRIBAL LAW AND ORDER ACT
Bills and resolutions
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]

TRUCKING INDUSTRY *related term(s)* **CARGO TRANSPORTATION**
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]

TRUTH IN LENDING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Colleges and universities: require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [29MR]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
———establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———provide exception from definition of loan originator for certain loans made relative to manufactured homes and amend Truth in Lending Act to modify definition of high-cost mortgage (see S. 3484), [2AU]
———require servicers to provide responses to mortgagors requesting residential mortgage loan refinancing (see S. 3177), [15MY]
Financial institutions: exempt community banks from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
TUBMAN, HARRIET
Reports filed
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
T'UF SHUR BIEN PRESERVATION TRUST AREA ACT
Reports filed
Amend: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]
TURKEY, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Freedom of religion: end religious discrimination, safeguard Christian heritage, and return confiscated church properties (see S. Res. 392), [8MR]
Terrorism: condemn Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK/Kongra-Gel) for violence and acts of terror and support efforts to eliminate threat (see S. Res. 486), [7JN]
TUSCALOOSA, AL
Bills and resolutions
University of Alabama: tribute to football team (see S. Res. 361), [31JA]
21ST CENTURY LANGUAGE ACT
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Enact (S. 2367): corrections in enrollment (see S. Con. Res. 63), [18DE]
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———motion to proceed, [22MR], [27MR], [17AP]
Motions
Enact (S. 1789), [22MR], [17AP], [24AP]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789), [26JA]
———Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1789) (S. Rept. 112–143), [31JA]
TYMOSHENKO, YULIA
Bills and resolutions
Ukraine: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
U.S. BOXING COMMISSION
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Establish (see S. 3306), [18JN]
U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE *related term(s)* **CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE**
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 482), [6JN]
U.S. CHESS FEDERATION
Bills and resolutions
National Chess Day: designate (see S. Res. 539), [1AU]
U.S. COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM
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Members, [22MR], [26MR]
U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS
Bills and resolutions
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
U.S. FIRE ADMINISTRATION
Bills and resolutions
Reauthorize (see S. 2218), [21MR]
Reports filed
U.S. Fire Administration Reauthorization: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 2218) (S. Rept. 112–180), [12JY]
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
Bills and resolutions
Agriculture: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Dept. of the Interior: set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Fish and fishing: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
Topsail, NC: revise boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit L06 (see S. 3561), [19SE]
Wildlife: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
Reports filed
John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Boundary Revision of Units in Rhode Island: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1296) (S. Rept. 112–138), [26JA]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1657) (S. Rept. 112–141), [30JA]
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Bills and resolutions
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]
U.S. INTELLIGENCE PROFESSIONALS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
U.S. JOB CREATION AND INTERNATIONAL TAX REFORM ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 2091), [9FE]
U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
Olympic Games: require the U.S. Olympic Committee to adopt a policy that requires ceremonial uniforms to be produced in the U.S. (see S. 3387), [16JY]
U.S. SECRET SERVICE RETIREMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 1515) (S. Rept. 112–205), [10SE]
U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION
Appointments
Members, [23JA], [19DE]
U.S.-COLOMBIA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3326) (S. Rept. 112–222), [20SE]
U.S.-ISRAEL ENHANCED SECURITY COOPERATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]
U.S.-KOREA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1642) (S. Rept. 112–223), [20SE]
U.S.-PANAMA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 1643) (S. Rept. 112–224), [20SE]
UDALL, MARK ***(a Senator from Colorado)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
Census: provide for the more accurate and complete enumeration of members of the Armed Forces in any tabulation of total population (see S. 2470), [26AP]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [5JN]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Credit: require Federal mortgage agencies to consider energy costs in the underwriting process, reduce home energy consumption, and facilitate creation of energy efficiency retrofit and construction jobs (see S. 1737), [29MR]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [16JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest originally granted to Mount Manitou Park and Incline Railway Co. (see S. 2341), [24AP]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs

and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Electronics: make it unlawful to alter or remove the identification number of a mobile communications device (see S. 3186), [29JN]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FEMA: waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [27JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [6JN]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [20SE]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Gyari, Lodi G.: tribute (see S. Res. 557), [13SE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [18JN]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JY]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [29MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [25JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Money: improve circulation of $1 coins in order to phase out production of $1 bills (see S. 2049), [30NO]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [13NO]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Native Americans: help fulfill Federal mandate to provide higher educational opportunities (see S. 3504), [2AU]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
Parkinson's Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 416), [29MR]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [11JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Senate Rules: prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs (see S. Res. 427), [19AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: encourage alternative energy investments and job creation (see S. 1863), [8MY]
———exclude from gross income payments from the Aurora Victim Relief Fund to victims of Aurora, CO, movie theater shootings (see S. 3648), [29NO]
———extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [12MR]
———prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction (see S. 3257), [4JN]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [6DE]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [5MR]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [23JY]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [28FE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [16AP]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Cinco de Mayo: observance (see S. Res. 440), [26AP]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Dept. of Defense: ensure detainees on U.S. soil have access to due process, the court system, and will not be detained indefinitely by the military (see S. 2175), [8MR]
Dept. of HHS: establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
National Kids to Parks Day: designate (see S. Res. 463), [16MY]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Political campaigns: reform system of public financing of Presidential elections (see S. 3312), [19JN]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
Cloture motions
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
Taxation: provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [14NO]

UDALL, TOM ***(a Senator from New Mexico)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [26JA], [2FE], [9FE], [16FE], [1MR], [8MR], [15MR], [22MR], [29MR], [19AP], [26AP], [10MY], [17MY], [24MY], [7JN], [14JN], [21JN], [28JN], [12JY], [19JY], [2AU], [13SE], [20SE], [29NO], [6DE], [13DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Agreement on Port State Measures To Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing: implement (see S. 1980), [21JN]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3384), [1AU]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [15FE]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [17MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bureau of Reclamation: maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan Rivers fish recovery programs (see S. 1224), [24MY]
Chavez, Cesar E.: tribute (see S. Res. 410), [28MR]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [25JY]
China: recognize anniversary of persecution of Falun Gong, call for an end to continued persecution, release detained practitioners, and support Tuidang movement renouncing ties to the Communist Party (see S. Res. 232), [7FE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Credit: address certain issues relative to the extension of consumer credit (see S. 3426), [24JY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2343), [7MY]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]

Dept. of HHS: establish a pilot program to reduce the increasing prevalence of overweight/obesity among 0-5 year-olds in child care settings (see S. 2119), [16FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [20JN]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
Dept. of the Interior: carry out programs and activities for connecting children and families with the outdoors (see S. 1802), [7FE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: repeal requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan to offset the receipt of veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation (see S. 260), [29MR]
Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [21JN]
Disasters: include procedures for requests from Indian tribes for a major disaster or emergency declaration (see S. 2283), [17JY]
FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [9MY]
———improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [14MR]
FEMA: waive waiting period for flood insurance policies purchased for private properties affected by wildfire on Federal lands (see S. 3320), [20JN]
Fish and fishing: establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties to enforce the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes (see S. 52), [21JN]
Food: strengthen Federal consumer product safety programs and activities relative to commercially-marketed seafood (see S. 50), [21JN]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [14FE]
Health care professionals: provide incentives to foreign-born physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities (see S. 1979), [24JA]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Hydroelectric power: improve (see S. 629), [15NO]
Indian Law and Order Commission: extend period of time provided to produce a required report (see S. 2090), [9FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multi-stakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [17JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [18JY]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [31JA]
———recognize attending physician assistants as attending physicians to serve hospice patients (see S. 891), [19SE]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Data Privacy Day: designate (see S. Res. 358), [30JA]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 1494), [16FE]
National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week: designate (see S. Res. 568), [19SE]
National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [14NO]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Native American Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 605), [30NO]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Native American Heritage Day: observance (see S. Res. 561), [19SE]
Native Americans: reauthorize program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages (see S. 3546), [13SE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
New Mexico: anniversary of statehood (see S. Res. 585), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Renewable energy: promote development of renewable energy on public lands (see S. 1775), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Schools: provide assistance for the modernization, renovation, and repair of elementary and secondary school buildings and community colleges (see S. 1597), [29MR]
Senate: require candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form (see S. 219), [25AP]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [23JA]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [21SE]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [10SE]
———extend and modify the railroad track maintenance credit (see S. 672), [2AU]
———extend the new markets tax credit (see S. 996), [12JN]
———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]
———facilitate nationwide availability of volunteer income tax assistance for low-income and underserved populations (see S. 816), [29MR]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [14FE]
———modify and extend the making work pay credit (see S. 3680), [13DE]
———provide for logical flow of tax return information between partnerships, corporations, trusts, estates, and individuals and modify certain due dates and extension periods (see S. 845), [10SE]
———provide taxpayer protection and assistance relative to tax preparation (see S. 3355), [28JN]
Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [7FE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [27NO]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [5JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [13FE]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [28JN]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [17AP]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, NM (see S. 3357), [28JN]
GSA: convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, NM, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation (see S. 3370), [11JY]
President's Youth Council: establish (see S. Res. 608), [4DE]
University of New Mexico: establish the Cavernous Angioma CARE (Clinical Care, Advocacy, Research and Education) Center (see S. 2082), [9FE]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Congress: prohibit Members and employees from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit (S. 2038), motion to proceed, [26JA], [30JA]
Dept. of Defense: authorizing appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254), [30NO], [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]
Eximbank: reauthorize (H.R. 2072), motion to proceed, [10MY]
FDIC: temporarily extend the Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637), [11DE]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), [27MR], [29MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [2MR], [6MR]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]

UGANDA, REPUBLIC OF
Bills and resolutions
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Reports filed
Condemn Atrocities in Africa and Encourage Efforts To End Threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and Bring Joseph Kony and His Top Commanders to Justice: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 402), [20JN]
UKRAINE
Bills and resolutions
Human rights: condemn imprisonment of former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and call for diplomatic sanctions pending her release (see S. Res. 466), [17MY]
Reports filed
Condemn Imprisonment of Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko and Call for Diplomatic Sanctions Pending Her Release: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 466), [19SE]
UNDERTAKING SPAM, SPYWARE, AND FRAUD ENFORCEMENT WITH ENFORCERS BEYOND BORDERS (U.S. SAFE WEB) ACT
Bills and resolutions
Extend (see S. 3410), [19JY]
Reports filed
Extend: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410), [31JY]
Provisions: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 3410) (S. Rept. 112–248), [5DE]
UNEMPLOYMENT *related term(s)* **EMPLOYMENT**
Bills and resolutions
Benefits: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and related agencies: making appropriations (see S. 3295), [14JN]
Economic Development Administration: modify period used to calculate certain unemployment rates and establish business incubators in economically-distressed, high-unemployment areas (see S. 2140), [29FE]
Economy: avert ''fiscal cliff'' economic crisis by phasing in certain tax increases, work toward comprehensive tax reform, and call for OMB to make recommendations on spending cuts (see S. 3714), [30DE]
Education: ensure that individuals in an authorized job training program or completing degree or certificate work remain eligible for regular unemployment compensation (see S. 2095), [9FE]
Employment: streamline Federal job training system, steer training dollars toward skills needed by industry, establish Pay for Performance pilot program, and provide State access to National Directory of New Hires (see S. 3599), [20SE]
Hurricanes: provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]
Reports filed
Depts. of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 3295) (S. Rept. 112–176), [14JN]
UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT
Bills and resolutions
Armed Forces: strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY] (see S. 3236), [24MY]
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
Bills and resolutions
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Tariff: reliquidation of certain entries of industrial nitrocellulose from the United Kingdom (see S. 2936), [8MY]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Messages
Generalized System of Preferences Beneficiary Developing Country Termination for Gibraltar and the Turks and Caicos Islands: President Obama, [29JN]
UNITED NATIONS
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Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Cuba: condemn for death of Wilman Villar Mendoza and repression of human and civil rights, suspend from U.N. Human Rights Council, and call for release of all political prisoners (see S. Res. 354), [26JA] (see S. Res. 366), [1FE]
Cyprus: respect sovereignty and urge Turkey to end illegal colonization, occupation, and interference with energy resources (see S. Con. Res. 47), [6JN]
Dept. of State, foreign operations, and related programs: making appropriations (see S. 3241), [24MY]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Haiti: recognize anniversary of earthquake, honor victims and responders, and reaffirm support and assistance (see S. Res. 368), [6FE]
Internet: oppose any effort to transfer control to the U.N. or any other international governmental organization (see S. Res. 446), [26AP]
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Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
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———condemn human rights violations and call for transition to democracy (see S. Res. 370), [9FE] (see S. Res. 435), [25AP]
———condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]
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Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]
Benefits: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
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———establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]
Dept. of HUD: establish a pilot program to make grants to nonprofit organizations to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled and low-income veterans (see S. 3614), [21SE]
Dept. of Labor: carry out a pilot program to provide veterans with access at One-Stop Centers to Internet websites to facilitate online job searches (see S. 3316), [20JN]
———provide off-base transition training for Armed Forces members (see S. 2246), [28MR]
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Dept. of Transportation: establish a program to assist veterans to acquire commercial driver's licenses (see S. 2084), [9FE]
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———authorize transport of individuals to and from health facilities in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care (see S. 3511), [2AU]
———award grants to nonprofit organizations for construction of facilities for temporary lodging in connection with the examination, treatment, or care of a veteran (see S. 3324), [20JN]
———carry out a major medical facility project lease for an outpatient clinic at Ewa Plain, Oahu, HI (see S. 3336), [21JN]
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———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]
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———expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits (see S. 3049), [9MY]
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———modify treatment under contracting goals and preferences for small businesses owned by veterans of small businesses after the death of a disabled veteran owner (see S. 3210), [21MY]
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———provide additional assistance under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program to veterans pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) (see S. 3488), [2AU]
———provide educational counseling to individuals eligible for educational assistance before receipt of such assistance (see S. 2206), [20MR]
———provide monthly assistance allowance to disabled veterans training or competing for the Paralympic Team (see S. 3206), [17MY]
———provide veterans, when they electronically file claims for benefits, with notice that relevant services may be available to them from veterans service organizations (see S. 3052), [9MY]
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EPA: amend guidelines governing the handling of lead-based paint during remodeling or renovation activities (see S. 2148), [1MR]
———exempt the conduct of silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements (see S. 1369), [9FE]
———require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Equal Access to Justice Act: require disclosure of all payments made from the Judgment Fund (see S. 3415), [19JY]
Fair Labor Standards Act: preserve companionship services exemption for minimum wage and overtime pay (see S. 3280), [19JN]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JY]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 2099), [16FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [19JY]
Iran: close loopholes, increase transparency, and improve effectiveness of sanctions on trade in petroleum products (see S. 2058), [1FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
IRS: make the Free File Program permanent (see S. 1796), [16FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [15MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [24AP]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 1162), [26AP] (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [7MR]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [25AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [17MY]
National Charter Schools Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 447), [8MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
———permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract (see S. 2371), [26AP] (see S. 3221), [22MY]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: protect rights of conscience relative to requirements for coverage of specific items and services (see S. 1467), [26JA]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [17MY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
———disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit, cosponsorship withdrawn (see S.J. Res. 34), [24JA]
———establish a point of order to prohibit extension of the debt limit unless a concurrent budget resolution has been agreed to and is in effect (see S. 2040), [26JA]
Public welfare programs: disapprove rule relative to waivers of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S.J. Res. 50), [11SE]
———prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [24JY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Taxation: exclude from gross income any prizes or awards received by Olympic medal winners (see S. 3471), [2AU]
———extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, and repeal estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes (see S. 3420), [23JY]
———permanently extend the reduction in recognition period for built-in gains for S corporations (see S. 3223), [12JN]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
Tobacco products: clarify FDA jurisdiction over certain tobacco products and protect jobs and small businesses involved in the sale, manufacturing, and distribution of cigars (see S. 1461), [8MY]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [8MY]
Veterans: expand eligibility for concurrent receipt of military retired pay or combat-related compensation

with service-connected disability benefits and eliminate phase-in period for such benefits (see S. 344), [11JN]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [27FE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day: designate (see S. 2255), [24AP]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [28FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
Animal Welfare Act: modify definition of ''exhibitor'' (see S. 3666), [6DE]
Catholic Schools Week: recognize goals and honor contributions of Catholic schools (see S. Res. 364), [31JA]
Corps of Engineers: establish program to evaluate cost-effectiveness and efficiency of non-Federal sponsors as the lead project delivery team for civil works flood control and navigation construction projects (see S. 2138), [29FE]
Dept. of the Interior: replace President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program with a congressional plan that will conduct additional lease sales (see S. 3383), [12JY]
Disasters: provide tax relief relative to Hurricane Isaac disaster area (see S. 3601), [20SE]
EPA: reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN]
FEMA: extend the National Flood Insurance Program (see S. 2344), [24AP] (see S. 3050, 3051), [9MY]
Financial institutions: exempt community banks from certain escrow requirements (see S. 2278), [29MR]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 3422), [23JY] (see S. 3424), [24JY]
GAO: study potential economic benefits enjoyed by ''too big to fail'' financial institutions (see S. 3709), [21DE]
Immigration: make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
Iran: condemn continued persecution, imprisonment, and sentencing of Youcef Nadarkhani on the charge of apostasy (see S. Res. 385), [1MR]
SEC: improve consideration of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders (see S. 2373), [26AP]
Strategic Petroleum Reserve: suspend sales of petroleum products until certain conditions are met (see S. 2100), [13FE]
Taxation: oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
VOLUNTEER WORKERS *related term(s)* **COMMUNITY SERVICE**
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American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Global Youth Service Days: designate (see S. Res. 421), [17AP]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Medicaid: provide reimbursement to individuals and entities that provide voluntary non-emergency medical transportation to beneficiaries for expenses related to no-load travel (see S. 3586), [20SE]
Wreaths Across America Day: designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
Reports filed
Child Protection Improvements Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 645), [19SE]
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African Growth and Opportunity Act addition of South Sudan to list of eligible countries and third country fabric program extension (S. 3326): Coburn amendment (consolidate duplicative and overlapping Government trade programs), [2AU]
Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act (S. 3240): Alexander amendment (prohibit entity receiving a business and industry direct or guaranteed loan for a wind energy project from receiving other Federal assistance for the project), [19JN]
———Ayotte amendment (value-added grant program funding), [19JN]
———Boozman amendment (Dept. of Agriculture The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) funding through reductions in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funding), [20JN]
———Boxer amendment (EPA use of aerial surveillance of agricultural operations), [21JN]
———Brown of Ohio amendment (strengthen rural communities and foster the next generation of farmers and ranchers), [19JN]
———Cantwell amendment (encourage the purchase of pulse crop products for school meals programs), [19JN]
———Casey amendment (require more frequent dairy reporting and conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing two classes of milk), [19JN]
———Chambliss amendment (modify crop insurance eligibility requirements to include compliance with conservation laws), [20JN]
———cloture motion on motion to proceed, [7JN]
———Coburn amendment (Dept. of Agriculture Market Access Program funding), [20JN]
———Coburn amendment (limit conservation program payments based on adjusted gross income of the producer), [20JN]
———Coburn amendment (limit crop insurance premium subsidies based on adjusted gross income of the producer), [20JN]
———Coburn amendment (prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions and return previously distributed funds for deficit reduction), [21JN]
———DeMint amendment (Dept. of Agriculture rural broadband telecommunications services programs funding), [19JN], [20JN]
———DeMint amendment (prohibit Dept. of Agriculture loan guarantees), [19JN]
———DeMint amendment (prohibit mandatory or compulsory participation in check off programs to provide research and information for a particular commodity or brand), [19JN]
———enact, [21JN]
———Feinstein amendment (study feasibility of establishing an insurance product that covers food safety recalls), [19JN]
———Gillibrand amendment (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funding), [19JN]
———Grassley amendment (limit payments for marketing loan gains and loan deficiency payments), [19JN]
———Johanns amendment (EPA use of aerial surveillance of agricultural operations), [21JN]
———Johnson of Wisconsin motion to recommit (shift Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program into a separate bill), [20JN]
———Kerry amendment (prohibit food aid to Democratic People's Republic of Korea unless the President issues a national interest waiver), [20JN]
———Kyl amendment (prohibit food aid to Democratic People's Republic of Korea), [20JN]
———Lee amendment (repeal Forest Legacy Program), [20JN]
———Lee amendment (repeal the Conservation Stewardship Program and Conservation Reserve Program), [20JN]
———Lee motion to recommit (reduce agriculture programs funding to 2008 levels), [20JN]
———Merkley amendment (require the FCIC provide insurance to organic crops similar in terms and conditions provided for other crops), [20JN]
———Paul amendment (limit farm subsidy payments based on adjusted gross income of the producer), [19JN]
———Reid motion to table Paul amendment (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funding), [13JN]
———Reid motion to table Shaheen amendment (sugar price support program funding), [13JN]
———Rubio amendment (permit employers to pay higher wages to their employees who are working under a union contract), [21JN]
———Sanders amendment (allow States to require labels on food that contains, or is produced with, a genetically engineered material), [21JN]
———Sessions amendment (end State bonus payments for administering the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), [19JN]
———Sessions amendment (prohibit funding to allow categorical eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), [19JN]
———Snowe amendment (Federal milk marketing order program reform), [19JN]
———Thune amendment (limit crop insurance premium subsidies based on adjusted gross income of the producer), [20JN]
———Toomey amendment (amend consumer confidence reporting requirements for community water systems), [21JN]
———Toomey amendment (eliminate Organic Certification Cost Share and Agricultural Management Assistance Program), [19JN]
———Toomey amendment (repeal Dept. of Agriculture Biorefinery Assistance Program), [20JN]
———Toomey amendment (sugar price support program funding), [20JN]
———Udall of Colorado amendment (remove trees killed by bark beetles funding), [20JN]
———Vitter amendment (ensure that extras in film and television who bring domesticated household pets do not face unnecessary regulations and prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture), [20JN]
American Taxpayer Relief Act (H.R. 8): enact, [31DE]
Bring Jobs Home Act (S. 3364): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [19JY]
Budget 2012–2022 (S. Con. Res. 42): motion to proceed, [16MY]
Budget 2013–2022 (H. Con. Res. 112): motion to proceed, [16MY]
Budget 2013–2022 (S. Con. Res. 37): motion to proceed, [16MY]
Budget 2013–2022 (S. Con. Res. 41): motion to proceed, [16MY]
Budget 2013–2022 (S. Con. Res. 44): motion to proceed, [16MY]
Continuing appropriations (H.J. Res. 117): cloture motion, [21SE]
———making, [21SE]
———motion to proceed, [19SE], [20SE]
Convention on the Rights of Persons With Disabilities: motion to proceed, [27NO]
———ratify, [4DE]
Cybersecurity Act (CSA2012): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [14NO]
Cybersecurity Act (CSA2012) (S. 3414): cloture motion, [2AU]
———cloture motion on motion to proceed, [26JY]
Democracy Is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections (DISCLOSE) Act (S. 3369): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [17JY]
Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (H.R. 4310): conference report, [21DE]
Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction (S. 3254): Ayotte amendment (prohibit funds to transfer individuals detained at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to the U.S.), [29NO]
———Cardin amendment (ensure sufficient sizing of civilian and contract services workforces), [30NO]
———Cornyn amendment (Dept. of Veterans Affairs report to Congress a plan to eliminate backlog of benefit claims), [29NO]
———Feinstein amendment (limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force), [29NO]
———Gillibrand amendment (treatment of autism and other developmental disabilities under TRICARE), [29NO]
———Hagan amendment (memorandum of understanding on production of aviation and marine biofuels), [29NO]

———Leahy amendment (Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program improvement), [28NO]
———McCain amendment (establish no-fly zone in Syria), [4DE]
———Menendez amendment (strengthen sanctions to compel Iran to abandon threatening activities), [30NO]
———Merkley amendment (develop and implement a plan for withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan), [29NO]
———Nelson of Florida motion to waive Budget Act relative to amendment (veterans survivor annuities), [30NO]
———Udall of Colorado amendment (exempt from requirements on procurement and acquisition of alternative fuels), [28NO]
———authorizing, [4DE]
———cloture motion, [3DE]
Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (H.R. 1): Bingaman amendment (approve agreement between the U.S. and Palau in response to Super Typhoon Bopha), [28DE]
———cloture motion, [21DE]
———Coats amendment (substitute), [28DE]
———Coburn amendment (clarify cost-sharing requirements for certain Corps of Engineers activities), [28DE]
———Coburn amendment (ensure that Federal disaster assistance is available for the most severe disasters), [28DE]
———Coburn amendment (prohibit emergency Federal disaster assistance for commercial fisheries), [28DE]
———Coburn amendment (require merit-based and competitive awards of Federal disaster recovery contracts), [28DE]
———enact, [28DE]
———McCain amendment (Dept. of Agriculture Emergency Forest Restoration Program funding), [28DE]
———Merkley motion to waive Budget Act relative to Merkley amendment (extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs), [28DE]
———Mikulski motion to waive Budget Act relative to Toomey point of order, [21DE]
———Paul amendment (prohibit funding to administer or enforce certain wage-rate requirements relative to any project or program funded under this Act), [28DE]
———Paul amendment (supplemental appropriations for recovery from damage caused by Hurricane Sandy through reductions in foreign aid funding), [28DE]
———Tester motion to waive Budget Act relative to Tester amendment (Forest Service wildland fire management funding), [28DE]
EPA rule relative to maximum achievable control technology for certain steam generating units (S.J. Res. 37): motion to proceed, [20JN]
FAA Modernization and Reform Act (H.R. 658): conference report, [6FE]
FDA Safety and Innovation Act (S. 3187): Bingaman amendment (prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market), [24MY]
———cloture motion on House amendment, [25JN]
———enact, [24MY]
———Harkin motion to table Durbin amendment (improve safety of dietary supplements by requiring manufacturers to register supplement products with the FDA and amending labeling requirements), [24MY]
———Harkin motion to table Paul amendment (access to dietary supplements, prohibition on FDA employees carrying guns or making certain arrests, and proof of intent for prohibited acts), [24MY]
———House amendment, [26JN]
———McCain amendment (allow importation of prescription drugs from Canada), [24MY]
———Murkowski amendment (prevent approval of genetically-engineered fish unless NOAA concurs with such approval), [24MY]
———Sanders amendment (revoke drug exclusivity from certain entities for violations of Federal and State laws regulating pharmaceuticals), [24MY]
FDIC Transaction Account Guarantee Program (S. 3637): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [11DE]
———Johnson of South Dakota motion to waive Budget Act relative to Toomey point of order, [13DE]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act counterterrorism and intelligence gathering tools (H.R. 5949): Leahy amendment (substitute), [27DE]
———Merkley amendment (disclosure of Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court decisions, orders, or opinions), [27DE]
———Paul amendment (prohibit unreasonable search or seizure of records of individuals held by a third party), [27DE]
———Wyden amendment (Office of the Director of National Intelligence report on privacy impact), [28DE]
———extend, [28DE]
Importance of preventing Iranian acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (S.J. Res. 41): express and continue, [21SE]
Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (H.R. 3606): cloture motion, [21MR]
———cloture motion on Cantwell amendment (reauthorize Eximbank), [20MR]
———cloture motion on Reed amendment (substitute), [20MR]
———enact, [22MR]
———Merkley amendment (registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities), [22MR]
Middle Class Tax Cut Act (S. 3412): enact, [25JY]
———Hatch amendment (extend Bush administration tax cuts, provide alternative minimum tax relief, extend increased expensing limitations, and provide instructions for tax reform), [25JY]
Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act (H.R. 3630): conference report, [17FE]
Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21) (H.R. 4348): conference report, [29JN]
———Reid motion to waive Budget Act and pay-as-you-go rule relative to conference report, [29JN]
———Reid motion to waive Coats point of order (material not in House or Senate version) on conference report, [29JN]
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Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21) (S. 1813): Baucus amendment (full funding for Payments in Lieu of Taxes program and Secure Rural Schools and Community-Self Determination Act), [8MR]
———Bingaman amendment (remove privatized highways from consideration in apportioning highway funding among States), [13MR]
———Boxer amendment (assess need for environmental reviews and approval requirements for certain emergency highway construction projects), [14MR]
———Boxer motion to waive Budget Act and pay-as-you-go rule, [8MR]
———cloture motion on Reid amendment, [17FE]
———cloture motion on Reid amendment (substitute), [6MR]
———cloture motion on motion to proceed, [9FE]
———Coats amendment (modify gas tax apportionment formula to ensure that percentage of funds received by a State is same as total gas taxes paid by the State), [13MR]
———Coburn amendment (prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs), [8MR]
———Collins amendment (provide additional time to issue achievable standards for industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers, process heaters, and incinerators), [8MR]
———Corker motion to waive Budget Act and pay-as-you-go rule relative to Corker amendment (reduce budget discretionary spending limits to offset Highway Trust Fund), [13MR]
———DeMint amendment (empower States with authority for most taxing and spending for highway and mass transit programs), [13MR]
———DeMint amendment (terminate certain energy tax subsidies and lower the corporate income tax rate), [13MR]
———enact, [14MR]
———Hoeven amendment (congressional approval of permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline), [8MR]
———Menendez amendment (encourage alternative energy investments and job creation), [13MR]
———Murray motion to table Blunt amendment (protect rights of conscience relative to certain Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act requirements for coverage), [1MR]
———Nelson of Florida amendment (restore natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine habitats, beaches, and coastal wetland of Gulf Coast States), [8MR]
———Paul motion to waive Budget Act and pay-as-you-go rule relative to Paul amendment (environmental reviews for emergency highway construction projects), [14MR]
———Portman amendment (allow States to permit non-highway uses in rest areas along any highway), [13MR]
———Portman amendment (allow States to spend gas taxes on their transportation priorities), [13MR]
———Roberts amendment (approve Keystone XL pipeline, provide for offshore and oil shale energy development, and extend certain tax provisions), [13MR]
———Stabenow amendment (extend tax credits for clean energy programs), [13MR]
———Vitter amendment (reinstate Draft Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program), [8MR]
———Wyden amendment (approve Keystone XL Pipeline permit consistent with current law, prohibit export of oil, and require U.S. iron and steel in construction), [8MR]
National Flood Insurance Fund financial solvency restoration (S. 1940): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [21JN]
NLRB rule relative to representation election procedures (S.J. Res. 36): motion to proceed, [24AP]
Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 3220): cloture motion on motion to proceed, [5JN]
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Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act (H.R. 6156): enact, [6DE]
Securing American Jobs Through Exports Act (H.R. 2072): Corker amendment (limit financing to transactions subsidized by other countries or for which private sector financing is unavailable or prohibitively expensive), [15MY]
———enact, [15MY]
———Lee amendment (phase out Eximbank authority and require President to initiate negotiations with other exporting countries to end subsidized export financing programs), [15MY]
———Paul amendment (prohibit financing of projects in countries that hold debt instruments of the U.S.), [15MY]
———Toomey amendment (make an increase in lending authority contingent upon the Dept. of the Treasury negotiating a phase out of export subsidies), [15MY]
———Vitter amendment (prohibit loans or financing fossil fuel projects or manufacturing renewable energy products in foreign countries if similar U.S. projects not funded), [15MY]
Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act (S. 2237): Baucus motion to table Reid amendment (provide a deduction for domestic business income of qualified small businesses), [12JY]
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———motion to proceed, [21SE], [13NO]
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Stop the Student Loan Interest Rate Hike Act (S. 2343): Alexander amendment (substitute), [24MY]
———cloture motion on motion to proceed, [8MY]
———enact, [24MY]
Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge (STOCK) Act (S. 2038): Brown of Ohio amendment (extend same financial conflict of interest rules to the Senate that apply to congressional committee and Executive Office of the President staff), [2FE]
———cloture motion on House amendment, [22MR]
———cloture motion on motion to proceed, [30JA]
———Coburn amendment (prevent creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs), [2FE]
———DeMint amendment (constitutional amendment to limit Congressional terms), [2FE]
———enact, [2FE]
———Grassley amendment (require disclosure of political intelligence activities), [2FE]
———Inhofe amendment (prohibit earmarks), [2FE]
———Lieberman amendment (extend the same congressional financial disclosure rules to executive branch and independent agencies), [2FE]
———Paul amendment (prohibit Executive Office of the President appointees or staff from holding certain positions over entities in which they have a financial interest), [2FE]
———Paul amendment (require Members and employees to certify they have not used material, nonpublic information for personal financial benefit), [2FE]
———Shelby amendment (extend the same congressional financial disclosure rules to executive branch and independent agencies), [2FE]
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21st Century Postal Service Act (S. 1789): Akaka amendment (amend Federal Employees' Compensation Act), [24AP]
———Akaka amendment (permit postmasters and other supervisory organizations to participate in the planning and development of changes in work schedules and benefits), [24AP]
———Casey amendment (maintain current delivery time for market-dominant products), [25AP]
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———Coburn amendment (reduce the postal workforce by creating a mandatory retirement requirement for eligible employees), [24AP]
———Corker amendment (substitute), [24AP]
———DeMint amendment (provide protections for postal employees with respect to their right not to subsidize union nonrepresentational activities), [25AP]
———enact, [25AP]
———Lieberman motion to waive Budget Act and pay-as-you-go rule relative to Lieberman amendment (substitute), [24AP]
———Manchin amendment (create a moratorium on closure or consolidation of postal facilities), [25AP]
———McCain amendment (Commission on Postal Reorganization establishment), [24AP]
———Paul amendment (end mailbox use monopoly), [24AP]
———Paul amendment (establish pilot program to test alternative methods for the delivery of postal services), [25AP]
———Paul amendment (prohibit employees from engaging in collective bargaining), [25AP]
———Udall of New Mexico amendment (authorize Postal Service move to a 5-day mail delivery service), [24AP]
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———motion to proceed, [12SE]
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Violence Against Women Act (S. 1925): Cornyn amendment (Dept. of Justice Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program funds for auditing sexual assault evidence backlogs, minimum sentencing, and U.S. Marshals Service subpoena authority), [26AP]
———Hutchison amendment (substitute), [26AP]
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Bills and resolutions
Civil liberties: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [21SE]
Dept. of Justice: provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
Elections: ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote (see S. 3657), [5DE]
Immigration: make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony (see S. 3579), [20SE]
National Month of Voter Registration: designate (see S. Res. 572), [20SE]

VOUGHT, JOSEPH
Prayers
Senate, [2FE]

WACO, TX
Bills and resolutions
Baylor University: tribute to women's basketball team (see S. Res. 426), [18AP]

WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Financial institutions: implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
Financial Stability Oversight Council: repeal authority to designate certain non-bank financial institutions as systemically important financial institutions (see S. 3497), [2AU]
SEC: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
———provide exemptions from municipal advisor registration requirements (see S. 3492), [2AU]
Technical corrections (see S. 3713), [28DE]

WAR *related term(s)* **KOREAN WAR; VIETNAMESE CONFLICT; WORLD WAR II**
Bills and resolutions
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [29MR]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [12JN]
———leave no member unaccounted for in the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan (see S. Res. 593), [14NO]
———require a report on implementation of a termination of the ground combat exclusion policy for female members (see S. 3182), [15MY]
———require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]
Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
Federal employees: treat time spent abroad by diplomatic or military translators, interpreters, or executive security personnel as U.S. residency for naturalization purposes (see S. 3643), [28NO]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Fort Wainwright, AK: tribute to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (see S. Res. 459), [14MY]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Operation Enduring Freedom Veterans Day: designate (see S. Res. 472), [24MY]
Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]
U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]
War of 1812: anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
Year of the Korean War Veteran: designate (see S. Res. 602), [27NO]
Messages
National Emergency Relative to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism: President Obama, [11SE]
Prayers
Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]
Reports filed
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]

WAR OF 1812
Bills and resolutions
Anniversary (see S. Res. 513), [28JN]
History: commemorate anniversary of the War of 1812 and the ''Star-Spangled Banner'', celebrate heroism of those involved in the conflict, and recognize organizers of commemorative events (see S. Res. 388), [1MR]
Reports filed
National Park Service Acquisition and Protection of Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 Battlefields Under the American Battlefield Protection Program: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 779) (S. Rept. 112–116), [23JA]

WARNER, MARK R. ***(a Senator from Virginia)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [3JA], [30JY], [28SE], [28DE]
Attendance
Present, [3JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Civil rights: prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 811), [19SE]
Civilian Property Realignment Commission: establish (see S. 2232), [22MR]

Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [16JY]
Dept. of Education: require payment of certain Impact Aid Program payments to eligible local educational agencies within 3 years (see S. 595), [31JA]
Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [30JA]
———expedite research and drug development to combat the most deadly and costly chronic diseases (see S. 2069), [2FE]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [30JA]
Dept. of Justice: provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [15NO]
Dept. of State: designate the Haqqani network as a foreign terrorist organization (see S. 3366), [10JY]
Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Economy: jump-start economic recovery through formation and growth of new businesses (see S. 3217), [22MY]
FDA: improve capacity to prevent drug shortages (see S. 296), [30JA]
Federal agencies and departments: reform and consolidate to improve efficiency and effectiveness (see S. 2129), [17FE]
———require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies (see S. 3468), [1AU]
FHA: ensure fiscal solvency of mortgage insurance programs (see S. 3678), [13DE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [17MY] (see S. 3394), [19SE]
———implement rule banning proprietary trading by commercial banks after regulatory agencies have issued their final rules (see S. 2223), [22MR]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [19SE]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
GSA: install Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless neutral host systems in Federal buildings to improve in-building wireless communications coverage and commercial network capacity (see S. 3439), [25JY]
Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund: ensure that amounts credited are used for harbor maintenance (see S. 412), [6FE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [26NO]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [27JN]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [6MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [21MY]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [10JY]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [23JY]
National Autism Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 413), [16AP]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]
National Teacher Appreciation Week: observance (see S. Res. 461), [15MY]
National Travel and Tourism Week: observance (see S. Res. 451), [9MY]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [5JN] (see S. 3369), [16JY]
Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: disapprove law ending inter-country adoptions of Russian children by U.S. citizens, urge reconsideration of the law, and prioritize processing of adoptions of children matched before enactment (see S. Res. 628), [31DE]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [12SE]
Taxation: exempt certain stock of real estate investment trusts from the tax on foreign investment in U.S. real property interests (see S. 1616), [31JA]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [12DE]
Telecommunications: require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the FCC (see S. 3433), [25JY]
Transportation: help leverage private investment for transit-oriented development near transit stations (see S. 2053), [1FE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [14FE]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]
Alliance To Save Energy: anniversary (see S. Res. 406), [26MR]
Diseases: support goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's disease by a certain date and other goals of the National Plan To Address Alzheimer's Disease draft (see S. Res. 434), [24AP]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
Government: increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending (see S. 3600), [20SE]
———require establishment of customer service standards for Federal agencies (see S. 3455), [30JY]
Hinduism: recognize the holiday of Diwali (see S. Res. 592), [14NO]
Medicare: provide for advanced illness care coordination services for beneficiaries (see S. 3684), [17DE]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
Special days and holidays: provide that Washington's Birthday be observed on February 22, rather than the third Monday in February, of each year (see S. 2052), [31JA]
U.S. Intelligence Professionals Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 47), [11JY]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY]
WASHINGTON, GEORGE ***(1st President of the United States)***
Appointments
Reading of George Washington's farewell address, [14FE]
Bills and resolutions relative to
Special days and holidays: provide that Washington's Birthday be observed on February 22, rather than the third Monday in February, of each year (see S. 2052), [31JA]
WASHINGTON (STATE)
Bills and resolutions
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
Public lands: designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Seattle, WA: anniversary of Seattle World's Fair (see S. Res. 431), [19AP]
Western Washington University: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
Reports filed
Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 322) (S. Rept. 112–108), [23JA]
Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]
Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]
WATER *related term(s)* **ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]

Bills and resolutions
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of the Interior: convey certain interests in Federal land acquired for the Scofield Project in Carbon County, UT (see S. 2056), [1FE]
———settle water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community (see S. 3209), [21MY]
———settle water rights claims of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe in Arizona, authorize construction of certain water projects, and resolve litigation concerning Colorado River operations (see S. 2109), [14FE]
———use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects (see S. 3385), [16JY]
Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]
———provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Energy and water development: making appropriations (see S. 2465), [26AP]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Government regulations: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
———prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
International Boundary and Water Commission: reimburse State and local governments for expenses incurred in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating certain water projects (see S. 2290), [17AP]
NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]
Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Public works: provide financing assistance for qualified water infrastructure projects (see S. 3626), [13NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]
South Dakota: facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System (see S. 3464), [31JY]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]
———improve and extend certain tax incentives for industrial energy efficiency in the areas of water reuse, advanced motors, and chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) chillers (see S. 3352), [28JN]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Water Resources Research Act: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Motions
Appropriations: making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [13DE], [19DE], [21DE], [28DE]
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 499) (S. Rept. 112–110), [23JA]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations (Senate) (S. 2465) (S. Rept. 112–164), [26AP]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Lake Thunderbird Efficient Use Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 802) (S. Rept. 112–117), [23JA]
Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 134) (S. Rept. 112–218), [19SE]
National Fish Habitat Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1201) (S. Rept. 112–187), [17JY]
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]
Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]

WATER FOR THE POOR ACT
Reports filed
Water for the World Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

WATER FOR THE WORLD ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 641) (S. Rept. 112–194), [31JY]

WATER POLLUTION *related term(s)* **ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT; POLLUTION**
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA] (see S. 3607), [20SE]
EPA: assist planning and construction of treatment works to intercept, transport, or treat municipal and sanitary sewer overflows, and update guidance used to implement certain clean water programs (see S. 2094), [9FE]
———establish a moratorium on aerial surveillance of agricultural operations (see S. 3467), [1AU]
———limit authority relative to numeric nutrient criteria for water quality requirements (see S. 2115), [16FE]
———provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]
———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Great Lakes: protect and restore (see S. 3588), [20SE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
Petroleum: establish Federal Oil Spill Research Committee and improve oil spill response plans (see S. 3298), [14JN]
Power resources: clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 2248), [28MR]
———facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———recognize primacy of States relative to regulation of hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State (see S. 3573), [19SE]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]
States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Address Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Through Research, Forecasting and Monitoring, and Mitigation and Control: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1701) (S. Rept. 112–237), [13NO]
Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]
———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]
EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]
Lake Tahoe Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 432) (S. Rept. 112–148), [7FE]
Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]
San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

Bills and resolutions

Everglades restoration project: expedite implementation of comprehensive plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]

WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH ACT

Bills and resolutions

Research: reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding water resources research and technology institutes (see S. 2104), [14FE]

Reports filed

Water Resources Research Act Grants Reauthorization for and Applied Water Supply Research Regarding Water Resources Research and Technology Institutes: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2104) (S. Rept. 112–189), [19JY]

WATERFORD, WI

Bills and resolutions

Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office: designate (see S. 3630), [14NO]

WATERWAYS *related term(s)* **WATER**

Appointments

Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]

Bills and resolutions

Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]

Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]

Colorado: recognize proclamation of the Year of Water (see S. Res. 465), [16MY]

Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]

Corps of Engineers: compel completion of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study within a certain time period and focus attention on permanent prevention of aquatic nuisance species (see S. 2317), [19AP]

———manage threat of Asian carp traveling up the Mississippi River in Minnesota (see S. 2164), [6MR]

Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]

Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]

Economy: promote U.S. economic and energy security through increased energy development and reduced regulatory burdens (see S. 2365), [25AP]

EPA: provide grants for the revitalization of waterfront brownfields (see S. 3549), [13SE]

———reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (see S. 3264), [5JN] (see S. 3687), [17DE]

FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]

Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]

Minnesota: remove designation of Mille Lacs Lake as a federally navigable body of water to eliminate Federal regulation of certain activities (see S. 3251), [24MY]

National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]

Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]

NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]

Pesticides: clarify congressional intent regarding regulation of use of pesticides in or near navigable waters (see S. 3605), [20SE]

San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]

Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN] (see S. 3570), [19SE]

States: preserve authority to make determinations relating to water quality standards (see S. 3558), [19SE]

Taxation: facilitate water leasing and water transfers to promote conservation and efficiency (see S. 3650), [29NO]

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: lead a multiagency effort to slow the spread of Asian carp in the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries (see S. 3645), [28NO]

Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]

Water Resources Development Act: expedite implementation of comprehensive Everglades restoration project plan (see S. 3509), [2AU]

Motions

Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]

Reports filed

Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1740) (S. Rept. 112–139), [26JA]

Deepwater Horizon Survivors' Fairness Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183), [14NO]

———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 183) (S. Rept. 112–245), [5DE]

Delaware River Basin Conservation Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1266) (S. Rept. 112–183), [16JY]

Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]

District of Columbia Southwest Waterfront Development Promotion: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2297) (S. Rept. 112–154), [29MR]

EPA Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program Reauthorization: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 3264) (S. Rept. 112–185), [16JY]

Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]

Iuka, MS, Yellow Creek Port Properties Transfer Approval: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1735) (S. Rept. 112–243), [30NO]

Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1047) (S. Rept. 112–122), [23JA]

Long Island Sound Restoration and Stewardship Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2018) (S. Rept. 112–184), [16JY]

Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act Reauthorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 962) (S. Rept. 112–151), [27FE]

Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]

San Francisco Bay Restoration Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 97) (S. Rept. 112–136), [26JA]

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]

WAYNE COUNTY, KY

Bills and resolutions

Civil War—U.S.: anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs (see S. Res. 357), [30JA]

WEAPONS *related term(s)* **BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS; CHEMICAL WEAPONS; NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

Bills and resolutions

Army: expand authority to loan or donate excess small arms to certain eligible organizations for funeral and other ceremonial purposes (see S. 2089), [9FE]

———provide strategic workload to Army arsenals in their function as a critical component of the organic defense industrial base (see S. 3054), [9MY]

———require a study on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle industrial base (see S. 3668), [10DE]

Firearms: establish national standard to allow State concealed handgun carrying licenses to be valid in other States (see S. 2188), [13MR]

———permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]

———require face to face purchases of ammunition, licensing of ammunition dealers, and reporting regarding bulk purchases of ammunition (see S. 3458), [30JY]

Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [19AP]

———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [6MR]

Manhattan Project National Historical Park: establish (see S. 3300), [14JN]

National Guard: increase authorized number of Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (see S. 3188), [16MY]

Nuclear weapons: designate a national day of remembrance for workers of the U.S. nuclear weapons program (see S. Res. 519), [16JY]

Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act: extend limited antitrust exemption (see S. 3715), [30DE]

Strategic Air Command: anniversary of stand down and dedication of memorial (see S. Res. 479), [5JN]

Syria: condemn Russia for providing weapons and opposing U.N. resolutions on Syria, call for the end of violence against civilians, and support sanctions and a peaceful transition of leadership (see S. Res. 494), [14JN]

———impose sanctions due to human rights abuses (see S. 2034), [24JA]

———oppose sale, shipment, performance of maintenance, refurbishment, modification, repair, and upgrade of any military equipment from or by Russia to or for Syria (see S. Con. Res. 54), [25JY]

———promote U.S. policy objectives through imposition of sanctions, creation of a Syrian Stabilization Fund, support for opposition and democracy efforts, and departure from power of Bashar al-Assad (see S. 2152), [2MR]

———require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]

U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [19MR]

U.S. Strategic Command: anniversary (see S. Res. 480), [5JN]

Messages

National Emergency Relative to Threat in Lebanon Posed by Actions of Certain Persons To Undermine Legitimate Democratic Institutions: President Obama, [24JY]

Reports filed

Border Enforcement Security Task Force Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 915) (S. Rept. 112–206), [10SE]

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1478) (S. Rept. 112–128), [23JA]

Presidential Requirement To Report to Congress on All Known Syrian Opposition Groups and the Number and Security of Weapons Used by the Regime and Opposition Forces: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2224), [26AP]

U.S.-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. 2165) (S. Rept. 112–179), [27JN]

WEATHER

Bills and resolutions

Air Force Weather: anniversary (see S. Res. 545), [2AU]

Budget: repeal sequestration and replace automatic spending cuts with targeted reforms (see S. 3473), [1AU]

CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [29NO]

Disasters: convene an interagency working group to assess Federal activities relative to extreme weather resilience across key sectors and support State, local, and private sector resiliency efforts (see S. 3691), [19DE]

Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]

———provide enhanced disaster unemployment assistance to States affected by Hurricane Sandy (see S. 3655), [4DE]

National forests: declare state of emergency and implement hazardous fuel reduction projects for extreme fire hazard and unsafe conditions caused by pine beetle infestations, drought, disease, or storm damage (see S. 2277), [29MR]

National Integrated Drought Information System: reauthorize (see S. 3584), [20SE]

National Preparedness Month: designate (see S. Res. 583), [21SE]

NOAA: establish an integrated and comprehensive ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, and atmospheric research, prediction, and environmental information program to support renewable energy (see S. 3371), [11JY]

Taxation: increase amount of low-income housing credit that may be allocated in States damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee (see S. 3243), [24MY]

Reports filed

National Hurricane Research Initiative Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692), [14NO]

———Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 692) (S. Rept. 112–266), [2JA]

WEAVER, DREW W.

Reports filed

Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building, St. Charles, MO: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 3248), [25AP]

WEBB, JIM ***(a Senator from Virginia)***

Appointments

Acting President pro tempore, [6JA], [24FE], [9OC], [19OC], [13NO], [11DE]

Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]

———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]

Attendance

Present, [6JA]

Bills and resolutions cosponsored

Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]

Accomack County, VA: remove deed restriction from a parcel of land next to NASA Wallops Flight Facility (see S. 2214), [20MR]

Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]

Chesapeake Bay: reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative and improve Dept. of Agriculture assistance to farmers and foresters within the watershed and to States with water quality programs (see S. 2294), [18AP]

Contracts: enhance security, increase accountability, and improve Federal contracting for overseas contingency operations (see S. 2139), [29FE] (see S. 3286), [12JN]

Dept. of Education: revise rule requiring for-profit colleges from receiving a certain percentage of revenue from non-Federal sources to count military and veterans' education benefits under such rule (see S. 2116), [16FE]

Dept. of Energy: require a quadrennial energy review to assess current domestic capabilities and future energy needs (see S. 1703), [8MY]

Dept. of HHS: establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [17JY]

———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [10JY]

Dept. of the Interior: implement President Obama's proposed Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing program and conduct additional oil and gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development (see S. 3438), [25JY]

Diseases: provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes (see S. 1221), [10JY]

Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Con. Res. 65), [19DE] (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]

Fang Lizhi: tribute (see S. Res. 476), [4JN]

FDA: ensure valid generic drugs may enter the market (see S. 1882), [10SE]

Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]

Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [19JN]

———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]

Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]

McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]

Medicare: extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [22MY]

Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [30JY]

Mitochondrial Disease Awareness Week: designate (see S. Res. 490), [18JY]

National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]

National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]

National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]

National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]

National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]

National Principals Month: observance (see S. Res. 552), [12SE]

National School Counseling Week: designate (see S. Res. 371), [9FE]

Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]

Palau: approve results of the review of Compact of Free Association between the U.S. and Palau (see S. 343), [23JY]

Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [18DE] (see S. Res. 618), [19DE]

Philippines: celebrate anniversary of U.S.-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and overall bilateral relationship (see S. Res. 481), [5JN]

Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR]

Public Service Recognition Week: designate (see S. Res. 419), [17AP]

Refuse disposal: facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (see S. 3512), [2AU]

Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]

Southeast Asia: reaffirm U.S. support for declaration of conduct of parties in the South China Sea among Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member states and China (see S. Res. 524), [23JY]

Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]

Syria: require the President to report to Congress on all known opposition groups and the number and security of weapons used by the regime and opposition forces (see S. 2224), [22MR]

Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [14NO]

———extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans (see S. 3536), [12SE]

———make equitable the exclusion from gross income of parking and transportation fringe benefits and provide for a common cost-of-living adjustment (see S. 1034), [31JA]

———provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment (see S. 1174), [5JN]

Tibet: support people, call on China to allow free practice of religion and release political prisoners, and congratulate Tibetans living in exile for holding democratic elections (see S. Res. 356), [30JA]

Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [29MR]

Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]

Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [14FE]

Bills and resolutions introduced

Armed Forces: require the President to seek congressional approval before engaging members in military humanitarian operations (see S. 3176), [14MY]

Business and industry: prohibit the transfer of proprietary technology and intellectual property developed with Federal funding to entities of certain countries (see S. 2063), [2FE]

Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [11JY]

Depts. of Defense and Veterans Affairs: improve oversight of educational assistance (see S. 2179), [8MR]

Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]

National Adopt a Library Day: designate (see S. Res. 425), [18AP]

Navy: provide an appropriate site at the former Navy Dive School at the Washington Navy Yard for the Man in the Sea Memorial Monument to honors military divers (see S. Con. Res. 46), [6JN]

Cloture motions

Dept. of Veterans Affairs: establish a veterans jobs corps (S. 3457), motion to proceed, [2AU], [11SE]

Small business: increase job creation and economic growth by improving access to public capital markets for emerging growth companies (H.R. 3606), [15MR], [20MR], [21MR]

Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]

WEBER COUNTY, UT

Bills and resolutions

Ogden, UT: honor and express condolences to family of Jared Francom of the Ogden Police Dept., and wish a speedy recovery to other officers wounded while serving a search warrant (see S. Res. 355), [26JA]

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

Bills and resolutions

Designate (see S. Res. 436), [25AP]

WEEKS, RAYMOND

Bills and resolutions

Veterans Day: recognize Birmingham, AL, as the home of the longest running celebration and Raymond Weeks for efforts in establishment (see S. Res. 591), [13NO]

WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. 2255), [29MR]
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Bills and resolutions
Sports: tribute to men's basketball team (see S. Res. 423), [17AP]
WESTFIELD, MA
Reports filed
William T. Trant Post Office Building, Westfield, MA: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (H.R. 2767), [25AP]
WESTMINSTER, MA
Bills and resolutions
Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building: designate (see S. 3662), [5DE]
WETLANDS
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
California Coastal National Monument: designate Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System (see S. 3587), [20SE]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Disasters: provide assistance for watersheds adversely affected by qualifying natural disasters (see S. 3669), [11DE]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [29MR]
Water: clarify definition of navigable waters relative to application of environmental protection regulations (see S. 2122), [16FE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2282) (S. Rept. 112–217), [19SE]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
WHALING CONVENTION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Commerce: authorize and set certain catch limits on aboriginal subsistence whaling if the International Whaling Commission fails to adopt such limits (see S. 3262), [5JN]
WHIPPLE, TREVOR
Appointments
Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board, [20SE]
WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT
Reports filed
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ENHANCEMENT ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
WHISTLEBLOWING *related term(s)* **FEDERAL EMPLOYEES**
Bills and resolutions
Antitrust policy: provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers (see S. 3462), [31JY]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
Reports filed
Fighting Fraud To Protect Taxpayers Act: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 890) (S. Rept. 112–142), [30JA]
Non-Federal Employee Whistleblower Protection Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 241), [19DE]
Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (Senate) (S. 743) (S. Rept. 112–155), [19AP]
WHITE, KEVIN H.
Bills and resolutions
Tribute (see S. Res. 365), [1FE]
WHITE CLAY CREEK WILD AND SCENIC RIVER EXPANSION ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]
WHITEHOUSE, SHELDON ***(a Senator from Rhode Island)***
Appointments
Acting President pro tempore, [21DE], [27DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Union: commend coordinated military efforts to apprehend Joseph Kony and senior commanders of the Lords's Resistance Army and support U.S. advisory role in such efforts (see S. Res. 412), [24AP]
Afterschool Alliance (organization): support goals and ideals of Lights on Afterschool! event (see S. Res. 587), [21SE]
Age Discrimination in Employment Act: clarify appropriate standard of proof for Federal antiretaliation and antidiscrimination claims (see S. 2189), [21JN]
Agriculture: promote local and regional farm and food systems (see S. 1773), [16FE]
Animals: designate the North American bison as the national mammal of the U.S. (see S. 3248), [24MY]
Armed Forces: enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses relative to mortgages (see S. 3179), [15MY]
———improve provision of civil relief and the enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 2299), [18AP]
———lift statutory bans on denying servicewomen coverage for abortions in cases of rape or incest and preventing use of private funds for abortions at U.S. military facilities (see S. 1214), [24JA]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [24AP]
———strengthen enforcement and clarify and conform certain provisions of law relative to employment and reemployment rights of members (see S. 3322), [20JN]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: improve protections for employees and retirees in business bankruptcies (see S. 3381), [12JY]
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Black History Month: observance (see S. Res. 387), [1MR]
CERCLA: provide assistance for natural disaster response at Superfund sites, study the vulnerability of such sites to extreme weather, and develop protection plans for future natural disasters (see S. 3649), [30NO]
Children and youth: permit disclosure of certain information for the purpose of missing child investigations (see S. 225), [31JY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [13SE]
Copyrights: provide protection for fashion design (see S. 3523), [10SE]
Courts: prohibit exclusion of individuals from service on a Federal jury on account of sexual orientation or gender identity (see S. 3618), [21SE]
———provide Federal jurisdiction for theft of trade secrets (see S. 3389), [17JY]
Credit: establish a national consumer credit usury rate (see S. 3452), [26JY]
———provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3522), [21SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [11SE]
Crime: enhance penalties for possession or financial facilitation of access to child pornography and require Internet service providers to assist child pornography and exploitation investigations (see S. 3456), [30JY]
———establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
Dept. of Agriculture: include shellfish on the list of crops eligible for the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program and Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees & Farm-Raised Fish program (see S. 1607), [23JA]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [31JA] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
Dept. of HHS: establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [17FE]
———improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship (see S. 1613), [14JN]
———provide States with incentives to require elementary and secondary schools to maintain, and permit school personnel to administer, epinephrine (see S. 1884), [27FE]
Dept. of Justice: establish uniform standards for the exchange of controlled substance and prescription information to prevent diversion, fraud, and abuse of such substances and drugs (see S. 2254), [29MR]
———extend authorization of Bulletproof Vest Partnership (see S. 2554), [7MY]
———provide incentives to States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at polls and simplify voter registration (see S. 3635), [27NO]
Dept. of State: authorize payment of a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals (see S. 2318), [3DE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [31JA]
———ensure veterans have information and protections required to make informed decisions on Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits (see S. 2241), [27MR]

Depts. of Homeland Security and the Treasury: provide authority to more aggressively enforce trade laws relative to textile or apparel articles (see S. 1683), [20SE]
Disabled: expand and intensify NIH programs on translational research and related activities relative to Down syndrome (see S. 1840), [20SE]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [27JN]
———provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes (see S. 1221), [5JN]
Economy: create jobs and invest in communities through rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed residential and commercial properties (see S. 2162), [6MR]
Education: prohibit institutions of higher education that participate in certain financial aid programs from including predispute arbitration agreements in enrollment contracts (see S. 3557), [19SE]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDA: permit manufacturers of generic drugs to provide additional warnings relative to such drugs in the same manner as brand name drugs (see S. 2295), [18AP]
Federal agencies and departments: require textile and apparel articles acquired for use be manufactured from articles, materials, or supplies entirely grown, produced, or manufactured in the U.S. (see S. 3444), [20SE]
———treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses (see S. 2239), [27JN]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [29MR]
FEMA: reauthorize and amend the National Dam Safety Program (see S. 3362), [29JN]
Financial institutions: advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
———provide for a safe, accountable, fair, and efficient banking system (see S. 3048), [21MY]
Firearms: prohibit transfer or possession of large capacity ammunition feeding devices (see S. 32), [17DE]
Fish and fishing: support fisheries and communities that rely upon them, clear regulatory burdens, and streamline Federal fisheries management (see S. 2184), [12MR]
Foreign policy: ensure that U.S. policy reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity on human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide (see S. Res. 399), [19MR]
Foreign trade: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [19DE]
Government-sponsored enterprises: suspend compensation packages for senior executives of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and compensate such executives in accordance with other financial regulatory agencies (see S. 2054), [7FE]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [13NO]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [2FE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Horne, Lena Calhoun: award Congressional Gold Medal posthumously (see S. 1993), [26AP]
Immigration: eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants and increase the per-country limitation for family-sponsored immigrants (see S. 1983), [10SE]
———enhance national security, combat illegal immigration, and promote job creation, innovation, investment, and research (see S. 3553), [19SE]
———establish employment-based immigrant visa for alien entrepreneurs who have received significant capital from investors to establish business in the U.S. (see S. 565), [10SE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [13NO]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [28FE]
Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [10MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [10MY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [13JN]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: encourage adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology by safety net providers and clinics (see S. 3539), [26NO]
Medicare: count a period of outpatient observation in a hospital toward satisfying the 3-day inpatient hospital requirement for coverage of skilled nursing facility services (see S. 818), [31JY]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [8MY]
———provide coverage of comprehensive Alzheimer's disease and other dementia diagnosis and services to improve care and outcomes by increasing detection, diagnosis, care, and planning (see S. 738), [21SE]
Medicare/Medicaid: curb waste, fraud, and abuse (see S. 1251), [24JA]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [21MY]
National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: designate (see S. Res. 546), [2AU]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Center for Campus Public Safety: establish and operate (see S. 3682), [13DE]
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute: expand, intensify, and coordinate pulmonary hypertension research activities (see S. 775), [29FE]
National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 564), [19SE]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Park Service: extend authorization of appropriations for certain national heritage areas (see S. 3623), [13DE]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month: designate (see S. Res. 362), [31JA]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Natural resources: strengthen U.S. role in the international community in conserving natural resources (see S. 3356), [28JN]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps Act: reauthorize and amend (see S. 2388), [26AP]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Peace Officers Memorial Day: observance (see S. Res. 456), [10MY]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [27MR]
Public buildings: improve security at State and local courthouses (see S. 2076), [7MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
SEC: require disclosure of total number of domestic and foreign employers of issuers (see S. 3392), [17JY]
Senior citizens: authorize Federal assistance to State adult protective services programs to implement a network of elder abuse prevention and response measures (see S. 2077), [7FE]
———protect elder adults from exploitation and financial crimes, prevent elder adult abuse and financial exploitation, and promote safety for elder adults (see S. 3598), [14NO]
Sewage disposal: ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage (see S. 3388), [16JY]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [26JY]
Small Business Saturday: designate (see S. Res. 589), [21SE]
Social Security: repeal Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions (see S. 2010), [30JA]
Southeast Asia: protect and increase U.S. support for delaying the construction of mainstream dams along the Mekong River (see S. Res. 227), [26AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Taxation: close certain corporate tax loopholes (see S. 2075), [5MR]
———extend publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels (see S. 3275), [7JN]
———impose a tax on certain trading transactions (see S. 1787), [16FE]
———make permanent the minimum low-income housing tax credit rate for unsubsidized buildings and provide a minimum credit rate for existing buildings (see S. 1989), [26AP]
———prevent homeowners from being forced to pay taxes on forgiven mortgage loan debt (see S. 2250), [25JN]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (see S. 2237), [26AP]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (see S. 2884), [8MY] (see S. 3364), [9JY]
———provide that corporate tax benefits based upon stock option compensation expenses be consistent with accounting expenses shown in corporate financial statements for such compensation (see S. 1375), [26JA]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (see S. 2105), [15FE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [26AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [9MY]
Veterans: establish veterans' treatment courts (see S. 3702), [20DE]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the

classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [12JN]
World War II: award Congressional Gold Medal to members of the Civil Air Patrol (see S. 418), [14MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Bankruptcy: make organization more efficient for small business debtors (see S. 2370), [26AP]
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Crime: provide penalties for fraudulent email schemes that force senior citizens to purchase unnecessary medical equipment (see S. 3556), [19SE]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Drugs: more effectively regulate anabolic steroids (see S. 3431), [25JY]
Endangered Species Day: designate (see S. Res. 467), [17MY]
FDA: strengthen ability to seek advice from external experts on rare diseases, their burdens, and unmet medical needs of individuals with rare diseases (see S. 2281), [29MR]
Federal employees: tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [21MR]
Hazardous substances: amend regulations relative to certain mercury compounds, products, and processes (see S. 3697), [19DE]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR] (see S. 3369), [10JY]
Taxation: reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (see S. 2059), [1FE] (see S. 2230), [22MR]
Cloture motions
Appropriations: making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), [20SE], [21SE]
———making continuing (H.J. Res. 117), motion to proceed, [19SE]
———making for Dept. of Defense and other Federal departments and agencies, rescind unobligated stimulus funds, and reduce discretionary spending (H.R. 1), [19DE], [21DE]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (S. 2343), motion to proceed, [26AP], [8MY]
FDA: revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), House amendment, [21JN], [25JN]
———revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and medical devices and establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars (S. 3187), motion to proceed, [17MY]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (S. 3369), motion to proceed, [12JY], [17JY]
Postal Service: improve, sustain, and transform (S. 1789), [17AP]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (S. 2204), motion to proceed, [22MR], [26MR]
Roads and highways: extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), [15FE], [17FE]
———extend Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other Highway Trust Fund-funded programs (S. 1813), motion to proceed, [7FE], [9FE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Taxation: extend Bush administration tax cuts and other tax relief for families making less than a certain annual income and provide alternative minimum tax relief (S. 3412), motion to proceed, [23JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), [11JY], [12JY]
———provide a temporary income tax credit for increased payroll and extend bonus depreciation for certain business assets (S. 2237), motion to proceed, [16JY]
———provide incentives for businesses to bring jobs and business activity back to the U.S. (S. 3364), motion to proceed, [17JY], [19JY]
———reduce the Federal budget deficit by imposing a minimum effective tax rate for high-income taxpayers (S. 2230), motion to proceed, [29MR], [16AP]
Technology: enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), [31JY], [2AU]
———enhance security and resiliency of U.S. cyber and communications infrastructure (S. 3414), motion to proceed, [25JY], [26JY], [14NO]

WICKER, ROGER F. ***(a Senator from Mississippi)***
Appointments
Conferee: H.R. 4310, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [12DE]
———S. 3254, Dept. of Defense appropriations for military activities, prescribing personnel strengths, and military construction, [4DE]
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [18AP]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [21MR]
African Growth and Opportunity Act: add South Sudan to list of eligible countries and extend third country fabric program (see S. 3326), [25JN]
American Battle Monuments Commission: provide for ongoing maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery in the Philippines (see S. 2320), [9MY]
Appropriations: provide for automatic continuing resolutions (see S. 3434), [25JY]
Armed Forces: authorize space-available travel on military aircraft for certain current and former members of the Reserve components, widows and widowers of retired members, and dependents (see S. 2112), [17AP]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Budget: cut and cap Federal spending, enact balanced budget constitutional amendment, and replace sequester with other budget cuts (see S. 3482), [2AU]
———require the President to provide a report detailing the sequester required by the Budget Control Act (see S. 3228), [23MY]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Congress: approve permit for the Keystone XL Pipeline (see S. 2041), [30JA]
Cooperative Forestry Act: anniversary (see S. Res. 576), [21SE]
Courts: realign divisions within two judicial districts (see S. 3293), [14JN]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service (see S. 1728), [10JY]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2366), [25AP]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [1FE]
———establish a National Pediatric Research Network (see S. 3461), [31JY]
———establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative (see S. 362), [27JN]
Dept. of Justice: require Bureau of Prisons Director to be appointed by and with advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 2169), [29MR]
———support appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate leaked intelligence information on covert operations (see S. Res. 489), [12JN]
Dept. of Labor: disapprove rule on the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment (see S.J. Res. 38), [21MR]
———prohibit finalization of certain proposed child labor rules relative to family farming (see S. 2221), [21MR]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [6JN]
———limit authority to issue regulations before a certain date under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (see S. 3450), [26JY]
Dept. of the Treasury: disapprove rule relative to U.S. bank reporting requirements relative to interest on deposits paid to nonresident aliens (see S.J. Res. 46), [19JY]
Diseases: provide for scientific frameworks relative to recalcitrant cancers (see S. 3560), [19SE]
Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA): modify textile and apparel rules of origin (see S. 3326), [25JN]
Endangered Species Act: establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements (see S. 3500), [2AU]
Enterprise (U.S.S.): tribute to the Navy and current and former officers and crew upon completion of final deployment (see S. Res. 630), [2JA]
EPA: require regional administrators to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (see S. 3053), [9MY]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FDIC: protect certain information (see S. 2055), [1FE]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [28JN]
———improve examination of depository institutions (see S. 2160), [19MR]
Financial Literacy Month: designate (see S. Res. 409), [28MR]
Firearms: permit States to provide reciprocal treatment for carrying of certain concealed firearms by nonresidents (see S. 2213), [20MR]
Fish and fishing: prohibit the sale of billfish (see S. 1451), [26JA]
Glenn, John: anniversary of first manned orbital mission for NASA (see S. Res. 377), [15FE]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
Insurance: preserve consumer and employer access to licensed independent insurance producers (see S. 2288), [8MY]
———repeal law requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting (see S. 3656), [4DE]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [12JY]
Iran: express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [27FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]
Israel: commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and

missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [14MY]
ITC: develop and recommend legislation for temporarily suspending duties (see S. 3292), [13JN]
Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day: designate (see S. Res. 584), [21SE]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [28JN]
———observance (see S. Res. 496), [19JN]
Labor unions: protect the free choice of individual employees relative to participation in labor organizations (see S. 2173), [1AU]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: expand home and community-based services waiver to include young individuals in need of services otherwise provided in psychiatric residential treatment facilities (see S. 3289), [20SE]
Medicare: allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs (see S. 2057), [1MR]
———clarify application of secondary payer rules (see S. 1718), [29MR]
———extend Medicare-dependent hospital (MDH) program and increase payments under the Medicare low-volume hospital program (see S. 2620), [27NO]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [13JN]
———permit direct payment to pharmacies for certain compounded drugs for a specific beneficiary for use through an implanted infusion pump (see S. 3496), [2AU]
———protect and preserve access of beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers (see S. 1680), [14FE]
———study issues on access to intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) for beneficiaries in all care settings and establish demonstration project on benefits of coverage to administer IVIG in the home (see S. 960), [28JN]
Mental health: change references in Federal law to mental retardation or mentally retarded individuals to references to an intellectual disability (see S. 3289), [20SE]
Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act: reauthorize (see S. 3208), [11SE]
Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 396), [14MR]
National Airborne Day: designate (see S. Res. 527), [24JY]
National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers: reform (see S. 2342), [11JN]
National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: designate (see S. Res. 579), [21SE]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Safe Digging Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 438), [25AP]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Nicklaus, Jack: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 3252), [24MY]
NLRB: disapprove rule relative to representation election procedures (see S.J. Res. 36), [16FE]
North American Wetlands Conservation Act: extend authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects (see S. 2282), [24AP]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [20DE]
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: repeal health insurance tax (see S. 1880), [23AP]
———repeal provisions providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (see S. 2118), [1MR]
Pharmaceuticals: clarify the orphan drug exception to the annual fee on branded prescription pharmaceutical manufacturers and importers (see S. 1423), [4DE]
Power resources: facilitate domestic energy production to reduce energy costs and spur economic growth and job creation (see S. 3445), [26JY]
———streamline criteria for storage and dispensing of fuels, provide liability protection for fuel retailers, and ensure retailers' equipment is safe and compatible to sell new fuels (see S. 2264), [19JY]
Presidents of the U.S.: establish a moratorium on significant regulations imposed by a lame duck President (see S. 2368), [25AP]
Public debt: disapprove the President's exercise of authority to increase the debt limit (see S.J. Res. 34), [23JA]
Public welfare programs: prohibit waivers relative to compliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program work requirements (see S. 3397), [2AU]
Rotary International: commend efforts to prevent and eradicate polio (see S. Res. 473), [18JN]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Safe Drinking Water Act: reauthorize provision of technical assistance to small public water systems (see S. 2166), [7MR]
Ships and vessels: establish uniform and environmentally sound standards governing discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel in the navigable waters of the U.S. (see S. 3332), [21JN]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [29MR]
Sudan: promote peace and stability (see S. Res. 397), [15MR]
Taxation: establish ABLE accounts to pay for qualified disability expenses of family members with disabilities (see S. 1872), [6MR]
———make permanent rule providing 5-year amortization of expenses incurred in creating or acquiring music or music copyrights (see S. 2258), [19JN]
———make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions (see S. 339), [6JN]
———oppose Federal efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation (see S. Con. Res. 61), [6DE]
———provide that the value of certain historic property shall be determined using an income approach in determining the taxable estate of a decedent (see S. 2209), [20MR]
———repeal estate and generation-skipping taxes (see S. 2242), [28MR]
———require certain nonresident aliens to provide valid immigration documents to claim the refundable portion of the child tax credit (see S. 3083), [23MY]
Telephones: restrict any State or local jurisdiction from imposing a new discriminatory tax on cell phone services, providers, or property (see S. 543), [16FE]
Trafficking Victims Protection Act: authorize appropriations and enhance measures to combat trafficking in persons (see S. 1301), [10MY]
Transportation Security Administration: allow transportation worker identification credentials (TWIC) applicants to remotely apply for issuance, renewal, or activation (see S. 1966), [11SE]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [29JN]
U.N. Arms Trade Treaty: prohibit funding to negotiate if such treaty restricts the right to keep and bear arms (see S. 2205), [10MY]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Unemployment: require participation in public service and engagement in an active job search as conditions for receipt of extended benefits (see S. 2081), [9FE]
Veterans: increase rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans (see S. 2259), [29MR]
Water: prevent finalization by the EPA or Corps of Engineers of proposed guidance on identification of waters protected by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (see S. 2245), [28MR]
Wildlife: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [29MR]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: ensure repeal of ''Don't Ask, Don't Tell'' does not infringe upon the free exercise of religion and rights of conscience of members, including chaplains (see S. 3526), [11SE]
Constitution—U.S.: commemorate anniversary of signing and commend contributions of historical, educational, and patriotic societies in promoting patriotism and values (see S. Res. 376), [15FE]
Dept. of the Interior: grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Health: make the provision of technical services for medical imaging examinations and radiation therapy treatments safer, more accurate, and less costly (see S. 3338), [25JN]
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Crime Victims' Rights Week: support mission and goals (see S. Res. 374), [14FE]
Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: clarify provisions relative to regulation of municipal advisors (see S. 3620), [21SE]
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]
WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM
Bills and resolutions
Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers: designate segments for study for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 3423), [23JY]
Connecticut: designate segments of Farmington River and Salmon Brook as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2286), [17AP]
Neches River: designate a segment for potential addition to the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (see S. 2324), [19AP]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Reports filed
Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 322) (S. Rept. 112–108), [23JA]
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
Illabot Creek Segment Designation as a Component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 888) (S. Rept. 112–119), [23JA]

Oregon Caves Revitalization Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 765) (S. Rept. 112–114), [23JA]
White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic River Expansion Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 970) (S. Rept. 112–121), [23JA]

WILDERNESS AREAS
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area: designate (see S. 3375), [11JY]
Columbine-Hondo Wilderness: establish (see S. 2468), [26AP]
Lyon County, NV: designate the Wovoka Wilderness and provide for certain land conveyances (see S. 3701), [20DE]
Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest: preserve the Green Mountain Lookout in Glacier Peak Wilderness (see S. 3683), [13DE]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]
San Juan National Forest: designate certain Hermosa Creek watershed lands as wilderness (see S. 3400), [18JY]
Washington (State): designate and expand wilderness areas and designate certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park (see S. 3329), [21JN]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Reports filed
Devil's Staircase Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 766) (S. Rept. 112–115), [23JA]
Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area Establishment Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 667) (S. Rept. 112–113), [23JA]
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 140) (S. Rept. 112–104), [23JA]
Tennessee Wilderness Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1090) (S. Rept. 112–123), [23JA]
T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act Amendments: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 2024), [11DE]

WILDLIFE
Appointments
Conferees: H.R. 4348, highway programs reauthorization, TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline permitting approval, and Gulf Coast States resources and economy restoration, [24AP]
Bills and resolutions
American Eagle Day: designate (see S. Res. 498), [19JN]
Animals: prohibit breeding and private possession of captive big cats except by accredited zoos and facilities and require registration of big cats currently in possession by private owners (see S. 3547), [13SE]
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
———grant permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps (see S. 2071), [6FE]
———set prices for Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (duck stamps) and make limited waivers of stamp requirements for certain users (see S. 2156), [6MR]
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 430), [19AP]
Government regulations: establish improved regulatory process for injurious wildlife to prevent introduction and establishment in the U.S. of nonnative wildlife and wild animal pathogens and parasites (see S. 3606), [20SE]
Law enforcement: repeal certain laws relative to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws dealing with the illegal trafficking of wildlife, fish, and plants (see S. 2062), [2FE]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Public utilities: exempt from the Lacey Act Amendments certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater Texoma Utility Authority (see S. 3543), [13SE] (see S. 3687), [17DE]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (see S. 3525), [10SE]
———recognize heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on public lands and ensure continued opportunities for those activities (see S. 2066), [2FE]
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: protect farmers from fines due to taking of migratory birds on agricultural fields by clarifying distinction between normal agricultural practices and baiting (see S. 3674), [12DE]
Cloture motions
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [13NO], [15NO]
———protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), motion to proceed, [20SE], [21SE]
Motions
Gulf of Mexico: restore resources, ecosystems, fisheries, habitats, and wetlands of Gulf Coast States, and create jobs and revive economy of communities affected by Deepwater Horizon oil spill (H.R. 4348), conference report, [29JN]
Sports: protect and enhance opportunities for recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting (S. 3525), [20SE], [21SE], [13NO], [26NO]
Reports filed
Captive Primate Safety Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1324) (S. Rept. 112–188), [17JY]
Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 893) (S. Rept. 112–137), [26JA]
Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2156) (S. Rept. 112–216), [19SE]
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Reauthorization and Amendments: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 1494) (S. Rept. 112–215), [19SE]
Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 2071) (S. Rept. 112–212), [19SE]
Trash Free Seas Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation (Senate) (S. 1119) (S. Rept. 112–161), [25AP]
Wildlife Disease Emergency Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]

WILDLIFE DISEASE EMERGENCY ACT
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Environment and Public Works (Senate) (S. 357) (S. Rept. 112–214), [19SE]

WILDLIFE REFUGES
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of the Interior: enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (see S. 3448), [26JY]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Public lands: provide for State approval of new units of national forests, parks, wildlife refuges, wild and scenic rivers, trails, wilderness, conservation or recreation areas, or other Federal systems (see S. 2473), [26AP]

WINDER, DAVID F.
Bills and resolutions
David F. Winder Dept. of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic, Mansfield, OH: designate (see S. 3238), [24MY]

WISCONSIN
Bills and resolutions
Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway National Heritage Area: establish (see S. 2158), [6MR]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding: grant congressional consent (see S.J. Res. 44), [14JN]
Reports filed
Dept. of the Interior Authorization of St. Croix River Crossing Project With Appropriate Mitigation Measures To Promote River Values: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 1134) (S. Rept. 112–124), [23JA]
State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding Congressional Consent: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S.J. Res. 44), [2AU]

WOMEN
Bills and resolutions
Abortion: prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex (see S. 3290), [13JN]
———protect pain-capable unborn children in the District of Columbia (see S. 2103), [13FE]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Armed Forces: ensure military leadership reflects the diversity of the population of the U.S. (see S. 3181), [15MY]
———improve and enhance prevention and response to sexual assaults and sexual harassment (see S. 3647), [29NO]
———require a report on implementation of a termination of the ground combat exclusion policy for female members (see S. 3182), [15MY]
Business and industry: ensure reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition (see S. 3565), [19SE]
Civil rights: improve nonretaliation provisions of equal pay requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (see S. 3256), [4JN]
———improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [22MY]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Commission To Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer: establish (see S. 3237), [24MY]
Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum: establish (see S. 3567), [19SE]
Constitutional amendments: remove deadline for ratification of constitutional amendment to ensure equal rights (see S.J. Res. 39), [22MR]
Dept. of Defense: develop a strategy to promote the security of Afghan women and girls during the security transition process (see S. 3646), [28NO]
Dept. of HHS: ensure religious conscience protections relative to insurance coverage of certain women's preventive health services (see S. 2043), [30JA] (see S. 2092), [9FE]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: improve assistance provided to homeless veterans (see S. 3309), [18JN]
———improve assistance provided to women veterans, facilitate research on long-term reproductive health of veterans, and modify child care assistance for certain veterans (see S. 3313), [19JN]
———improve benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents (see S. 3308), [18JN]
Developing countries: promote the use of clean cookstoves in order to create a thriving global market for clean and efficient household cooking solutions (see S. 2515), [7MY]

Diseases: raise awareness of, and educate breast cancer patients anticipating surgery regarding the availability and coverage of breast reconstruction, prostheses, and other options (see S. 3628), [14NO]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Federal employees: reform the Senior Executive Service (see S. 2249), [28MR]
Foreign policy: codify U.S. Action Plan on Women, Peace, and Security to promote inclusion of women in conflict resolution efforts and peacebuilding institutions (see S. 3477), [1AU]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [9MY]
Haiti: address gender-based violence against women and children (see S. Res. 352), [23JA]
National Association of Junior Auxiliaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 415), [29MR]
National Caucus on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Health Disparities: support goals and ideals of Movement Is Life initiative (see S. Res. 535), [1AU]
National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 510), [26JN]
National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 537), [1AU]
National Stalking Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 360), [31JA]
National Women's High-Growth Business Bipartisan Task Force: establish (see S. 3196), [17MY]
Pacific Lutheran University: tribute to women's softball team (see S. Res. 511), [27JN]
Religion: honor historical contributions of Catholic sisters (see S. Res. 515), [28JN]
Ride, Sally K.: tribute (see S. Res. 547), [2AU]
SBA: reauthorize the women's business center program (see S. 3197), [17MY]
———remove limit on anticipated award price for contracts awarded under the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns and identify industries in which women are underrepresented (see S. 2172), [7MR]
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth: anniversary (see S. Res. 606), [30NO]
Small business: provide tax incentives for small businesses and improve SBA programs (see S. 3442), [25JY]
Tariff: clarify duty on sanitary towels and tampons, diapers and diaper liners for babies, and similar articles, of any material (see S. 2545), [7MY]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
———sports footwear with spikes for women (see S. 2401), [26AP]
Taxation: rename the section of the Internal Revenue Code known as the spousal individual retirement account as the Kay Bailey Hutchison Spousal IRA (see S. 3667), [10DE]
Village Voice Media Holdings, LLC: support elimination of the ''adult entertainment'' section of the classified advertising website Backpage.com to terminate facilitation of online sex trafficking (see S. Res. 439), [25AP]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 2338), [23AP]
Cloture motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), motion to proceed, [24MY], [5JN]
Motions
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (S. 3220), [24MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (S. 1925), [17AP]
Reports filed
Dept. of HHS Reduction of Preterm Labor, Delivery, Risk of Pregnancy-Related Deaths and Complications Due to Pregnancy, and Infant Mortality Caused by Prematurity: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (Senate) (S. 1440), [19SE]
Harriet Tubman National Historical Parks Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Senate) (S. 247) (S. Rept. 112–105), [23JA]
Stand Against Violence and Empower (SAVE) Native Women Act: Committee on Indian Affairs (Senate) (S. 1763) (S. Rept. 112–265), [27DE]
Tribute to Laura Pollán: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 342), [14FE]
Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization: Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925), [7FE]
———Committee on the Judiciary (Senate) (S. 1925) (S. Rept. 112–153), [12MR]
Women Veterans and Other Health Care Improvements Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

WOMEN VETERANS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENTS ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3313), [19JN]
Reports filed
Provisions: Committee on Veterans' Affairs (Senate) (S. 3313), [13DE]

WOMEN'S SMALL BUSINESS OWNERSHIP ACT
Bills and resolutions
Enact (see S. 3197), [17MY]

WOOD
Bills and resolutions
Tariff: reliquidation of certain entries of high-density, fiberboard-core laminate wall and floor panels (see S. 2946), [8MY]

WORKER ADJUSTMENT AND RETRAINING NOTIFICATION ACT
Bills and resolutions
Dept. of Labor: minimize adverse effects of employment dislocation (see S. 3297), [14JN]
———require companies to notify employees and local communities if they are closing plants or laying off U.S. workers to offshore jobs and operations (see S. 3425), [24JY]

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT
Bills and resolutions
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Dept. of Labor: establish Youth Corps programs and provide for wider dissemination of the Youth Corps model (see S. 2108), [14FE]
Education: increase access to adult education to provide for economic growth (see S. 2117), [16FE]

WORLD BANK GROUP *related term(s)* **INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND**
Bills and resolutions
Argentina: condition membership in the G20 on adherence to international norms of economic relations and commitment to the rule of law (see S. Res. 457), [10MY]

WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 492), [12JN]

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
Bills and resolutions
World Malaria Day: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
Reports filed
Support Goals and Ideals of World Malaria Day: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]

WORLD MALARIA DAY
Bills and resolutions
Goals and ideals: support (see S. Res. 429), [19AP]
Reports filed
Support Goals and Ideals: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 429), [20JN]

WORLD PEACE CORPS MISSION
Bills and resolutions
Gilman, Benjamin A.: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III: World Peace Corps Mission World Peace Prize recipient (see S. Res. 505), [26JN]
Peace: tribute to efforts to advance peace, justice, and inter-religious collaborations and World Peace Prize and its recipients (see S. Res. 614), [12DE]

WORLD PLUMBING COUNCIL
Bills and resolutions
World Plumbing Day: designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]

WORLD PLUMBING DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 393), [8MR]

WORLD SOCIAL WORK DAY
Bills and resolutions
Goal and ideals: support (see S. Res. 400), [20MR]

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION
Bills and resolutions
Foreign trade: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: take action to obtain Russia's full compliance with commitments under the protocol on their accession to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (see S. 3327), [21JN]
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (see S. 3285), [12JN] (see S. 3406), [19JY]
Motions
Russia: extend normal trade relations status (H.R. 6156), [4DE]
Reports filed
Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Repeal and Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act: Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406), [19JY]
———Committee on Finance (Senate) (S. 3406) (S. Rept. 112–226), [20SE]

WORLD WAR II *related term(s)* **WAR**
Bills and resolutions
Albania: recognize independence anniversary and commend for protecting Jews who either lived in Albania or sought asylum there during the Holocaust (see S. Res. 601), [27NO]
American Red Cross: tribute to women who served in Clubmobiles during World War II (see S. Res. 471), [23MY]
Capitol Building and Grounds: authorize use of Emancipation Hall to award Congressional Gold Medal to the Montford Point Marines (see S. Con. Res. 45), [5JN]
Courts: clarify exception to foreign sovereign jurisdictional immunity as it applies to certain art exhibitions (see S. 2212), [20MR]
Dept. of Defense: establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List (see S. 3530), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: provide preferences for certain services, designate an Administration on Aging individual responsible for support, and provide transportation services for holocaust survivors (see S. 3358), [28JN]
Dept. of the Interior: install in the area of the World War II Memorial a suitable plaque or inscription with the words that Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed on D-Day, June 6, 1944 (see S. 3078), [10MY]
Doolittle Tokyo Raiders: tribute to members for contributions toward the defeat of Japan (see S. Res. 418), [16AP]
Europe: commend countries that passed laws for the restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated by Nazi or Communist regimes, and encourage other countries to pass such laws (see S. Res. 516), [29JN]
First Special Service Force: recognize superior service of members (see S. Res. 577), [21SE]
Hickman, George: tribute (see S. Res. 567), [19SE]
Jan Karski Day: designate (see S. Res. 626), [20DE]
National Park Service: authorize studies of certain areas for possible inclusion in the National Park System (see S. 3399), [18JY]

National World War II Museum: recognize opening of U.S. Freedom Pavilion—The Boeing Center, public and private assistance to the museum, and role in educating about the War experience (see S. Res. 625), [19DE]
Prayers
Prayer for the Allied landing at Normandy on D-Day: Franklin D. Roosevelt, [6JN]
Reports filed
Commend European Countries That Passed Laws for the Restitution of, or Compensation for, Property Illegally Confiscated by Nazi or Communist Regimes: Committee on Foreign Relations (Senate) (S. Res. 516), [19SE]
WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY
Bills and resolutions
Designate (see S. Res. 611), [6DE]
WYDEN, RON ***(a Senator from Oregon)***
Attendance
Present, [23JA]
Bills and resolutions cosponsored
Abdnor, James: tribute (see S. Res. 475), [24MY]
Africa: condemn atrocities and encourage efforts to end threats by the Lord's Resistance Army and bring Joseph Kony and his top commanders to justice (see S. Res. 402), [10MY]
Agreement on Port State Measures To Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing: implement (see S. 1980), [17AP]
Agriculture: extend certain supplemental agricultural disaster assistance programs (see S. 3395), [18JY]
———provide for a uniform national standard for the housing and treatment of egg-laying hens (see S. 3239), [5JN]
Armed Forces: commend, make permanent, oppose proposals to diminish national security role of, and recognize the National Guard as the foundation of the Operational Reserve (see S. Con. Res. 48), [20JN]
———limit authority to detain U.S. citizens under authorizations for use of military force (see S. 2003), [23JA]
———provide for certain requirements relative to retirement, adoption, care, and recognition of military working dogs (see S. 2134), [5MR]
Aurora, CO: condemn movie theater shootings and express condolences for victims and gratitude to responders to the shootings (see S. Con. Res. 53), [24JY]
Bankruptcy: make privately issued student loans dischargeable (see S. 1102), [15NO]
Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: approve renewal of import restrictions (see S.J. Res. 43), [21JN]
Business and industry: strengthen manufacturing through improved training, retention, and recruitment of workers, deter evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders, and promote U.S. exports (see S. 3479), [1AU]
Chemicals: ensure that risks from chemicals are adequately understood and managed (see S. 847), [11JN]
Children and youth: issue a semipostal stamp to support programs targeted at improving permanency outcomes for youth in foster care (see S. 3231), [23MY]
Civil rights: improve remedies for discrimination in the payment of wages based on sex (see S. 3220), [5JN]
———restore effective use of group actions for claims arising under antidiscrimination laws (see S. 3317), [20JN]
Clothing industry: provide preferential duty treatment to certain apparel articles of the Philippines (see S. 1244), [25AP]
Colleges and universities: add disclosure requirements to the institution financial aid offer form and make such form mandatory (see S. 3244), [24MY]
———require private educational lenders to obtain certain certifications from institutions of higher education (see S. 2280), [5JN]
Colvin, Marie C.: tribute (see S. Res. 404), [22MR]
Credit: provide for affordable refinancing of mortgages held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (see S. 3085), [30JY] (see S. 3522), [10SE]
———require portion of closing costs to be paid by the enterprises with respect to certain refinanced mortgage loans (see S. 3520), [12SE]
Crime: establish criminal offense for fraudulent claims about military service if such claims are made for tangible benefit or personal gain (see S. 3372), [23JY]
———prohibit attendance of an animal fighting venture (see S. 1947), [24MY]
Crooked River: adjust boundary to provide water certainty for Prineville, OR (see S. 3483), [2AU]
Dept. of Defense: modify award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program administrative absence days to exempt Reserve members whose mobilization began before changes to the program took effect (see S. 2121), [26AP]
———provide benefits under the Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence program for days of non-participation due to Government error (see S. 2060), [1FE]
Dept. of Education: extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans (see S. 2051), [16AP] (see S. 2343), [26AP]
———require Statistics Commissioner to collect information from coeducational secondary schools on athletic programs (see S. 1269), [27JN]
Dept. of Energy: create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation (see S. 2146), [1MR]
———improve high-end computing research and development program (see S. 3459), [12SE]
Dept. of HHS: extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children with disabilities or special health care needs make informed choices about health care (see S. 2123), [19SE]
———reduce adolescent pregnancy, HIV rates, and other sexually transmitted diseases by expanding comprehensive, age-appropriate sex education in schools (see S. 1782), [13NO]
Dept. of Labor: require State workforce agencies and employers to certify the active recruitment of Americans for job placement prior to hiring H–2B nonimmigrant workers (see S. 2167), [6JN]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy (see S. 1838), [1FE]
———clarify presumptions relating to exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam (see S. 1629), [30JA]
———establish a veterans jobs corps (see S. 3457), [2AU]
———improve provision of work-study allowances for individuals pursuing rehabilitation, education, or training programs (see S. 3503), [2AU]
Diseases: increase immunization rates (see S. 3344), [30JY]
———urge Federal agencies to designate funds for education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men (see S. Res. 493), [14JN] (see S. Res. 529), [26JY]
Drug-Free Communities Support Program: extend authorization (see S. 2159), [25AP]
Education: anniversary of Title IX, prohibiting gender discrimination in educational and athletic programs and its critical role in guaranteeing equal educational opportunities for women and girls (see S. Res. 500), [20JN]
Elections: constitutional amendment on contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections (see S.J. Res. 29), [26JA]
Europe: designate Hezbollah as a terrorist organization and impose sanctions, provide information about Hezbollah to European allies, and support Bulgaria in investigating terrorist attack in Burgas (see S. Res. 613), [11DE]
FAA: reform regulations regarding enforcement actions against pilots, clarify statutory deference related to the NTSB, require notice to airmen (NOTAM) posting, and reform medical certification process (see S. 1335), [9FE]
Families and domestic relations: prohibit discrimination in adoption of foster case placements based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of prospective adoptive or foster parents (see S. 1770), [13NO]
Federal agencies and departments: develop public access policies relative to research conducted by that agency or from funds administered by that agency (see S. 2096), [9FE]
Federal employees: provide certain benefits to domestic partners (see S. 1910), [10SE]
———tribute to Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the U.S. abroad (see S. Res. 401), [14MY]
Federal Helium Reserve: ensure expedient and responsible drawdown in manner protecting private industry, scientific, medical, and industrial communities, commercial users, and Federal agencies (see S. 2374), [26AP]
Financial institutions: address fee disclosure requirements (see S. 3204), [25JN] (see S. 3394), [28NO]
———advance the ability of credit unions to promote small business growth and economic development opportunities (see S. 2231), [22MR]
Fish and fishing: establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties to enforce the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes (see S. 52), [24MY]
Foreign aid: improve access to microfinance and microenterprise programs (see S. 2027), [8MR]
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act: provide additional privacy protections (see S. 3515), [2AU]
Forest Service: revise the Recreation Residence Program by implementing a procedure for determining cabin user fees (see S. 1906), [21JN]
FRS: treatment of information provided to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (see S. 3394), [28NO]
Greece: independence anniversary (see S. Res. 398), [15MR]
Gross, Alan P.: call for immediate and unconditional release from detention in Cuba and urge for provision of appropriate medical treatment (see S. Res. 609), [5DE]
Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.: anniversary (see S. Res. 448), [10SE]
Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: ensure compliance by certain countries and establish procedures for prompt return of children abducted to other countries (see S. Res. 543), [10SE]
Haiti: provide assistance to end deforestation and restore the extent of tropical forest cover previously in existence (see S. 1023), [14FE]
Hispanic Heritage Month: observance (see S. Res. 582), [21SE]
Hurricanes: permit solicitation of donations in Senate buildings for relief of victims of Hurricane Sandy (see S. Res. 596), [14NO]
Inouye, Daniel K.: tribute (see S. Res. 624), [18DE]
International Olympic Committee: recognize a moment of silence at 2012 Olympic opening ceremonies to honor those who lost their lives at 1972 Munich Olympics (see S. Res. 504), [25JN]
Internet: promote a global Internet free from government control and preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model currently in effect (see S. Con. Res. 50), [10SE]
Iran: call on U.N. to take concerted actions against Iran for statements calling for the destruction of Israel (see S. Res. 574), [20SE]
———condemn persecution of Baha'is and continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, impose sanctions for such violations, and call for release of religious prisoners (see S. Res. 80), [15FE]
———express importance of preventing acquisition of nuclear weapons capability and continue economic and diplomatic pressure to secure nonproliferation agreement (see S.J. Res. 41), [24MY] (see S. Res. 380), [16FE]
———support freedom and civil liberties, and free and fair elections, condemn human rights violations, and lift restrictions on freedoms of assembly, association, and expression (see S. Res. 386), [1MR]

Israel: authorize further assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system (see S. 2325), [7MY]
———commit to security as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders and condemn rocket and missile attacks in Gaza by Hamas (see S. Res. 599), [15NO]
———reaffirm strategic relationship with the U.S., direct the President to submit reports on U.S. actions to enhance this relationship, and assist in the defense of Israel (see S. 2165), [18AP]
Juneteenth Independence Day: designate (see S.J. Res. 45), [14NO]
Law enforcement: prohibit racial profiling (see S. 1670), [9JY]
Libya: commend U.S. public servants who died in attack on U.S. consulate in Benghazi, express condolences to families of victims, condemn the attack, and call for perpetrators to be brought to justice (see S. Res. 551), [12SE] (see S. Res. 588), [21SE]
Lions Clubs: mint coins in commemoration of centennial of establishment (see S. 1299), [8MY]
March of Dimes Foundation: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 1935), [19JN]
Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 1119), [15MR]
McGovern, George S.: tribute (see S. Res. 607), [30NO]
Medicaid: cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care (see S. 1309), [10MY]
Medicare: ensure continued access of beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services (see S. 2347), [30JY]
———extended coverage of immunosuppressive drugs for kidney transplant patients and other renal dialysis provisions (see S. 1454), [25AP]
———reduce incidence of diabetes among beneficiaries (see S. 3463), [31JY]
———repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations (see S. 3659), [5DE]
Minimum wage: increase, and index future increases to the consumer price index (see S. 3453), [26JY]
National Baseball Hall of Fame: mint coins in recognition and celebration (see S. 2036), [14MR]
National Estuaries Day: designate (see S. Res. 566), [19SE]
National Foster Care Month: designate (see S. Res. 462), [24MY]
National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month: designate (see S. Res. 538), [1AU]
National Public Health Week: support goals and ideals (see S. Res. 417), [29MR]
National Wildlife Refuge Week: designate (see S. Res. 580), [21SE]
Newtown, CT: condemn shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, express condolences for victims, and commend school personnel and first responders who responded to shootings (see S. Res. 621), [17DE]
Older Americans Act: reauthorize and improve (see S. 3562), [19SE]
Parks, Rosa: tribute (see S. Res. 618), [13DE]
Political campaigns: provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities (see S. 2219), [21MR]
Power resources: eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy (see S. 2204), [26MR]
Privacy: prohibit employers from requiring employees to provide access to personal online accounts (see S. 3074), [9MY]
Rudman, Warren: tribute (see S. Res. 604), [29NO]
Russia: impose sanctions on persons responsible for detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, the conspiracy to defraud Russia of taxes on corporate profits, and other human rights violations (see S. 1039), [23JA]
Second Chance Act: reauthorize (see S. 1231), [26JA]
Senate: require candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form (see S. 219), [23AP]
Specter, Arlen: tribute (see S. Res. 612), [10DE]
Sports: prohibit the use of performance-enhancing drugs in horseracing (see S. 886), [7MY]
Tariff: increase and adjust for inflation the maximum value of articles that may be imported duty-free by one person on one day (see S. 3597), [20SE]
Taxation: extend credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources (see S. 2201), [15MR]
———make permanent the expansion of certain tax benefits for adoption (see S. 3616), [29NO]
Transportation Security Administration: require compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (see S. 1990), [23AP]
Twain, Mark: mint commemorative coins (see S. 1929), [16MY]
Veterans: improve protection and enforcement of employment and reemployment rights of members of the uniformed services (see S. 3233), [23MY]
Violence Against Women Act: reauthorize (see S. 1925), [26JA]
Voting: modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for disabled individuals, and protect the right to vote (see S. 3608), [6DE]
Wallenberg, Raoul: award Congressional Gold Medal (see S. 1591), [25AP]
Wildfires: tribute to efforts of firefighters and military personnel to contain wildfires and protect life, homes, and natural resources (see S. Res. 523), [16JY]
World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: designate (see S. Res. 492), [14JN]
Bills and resolutions introduced
Armed Forces: require the use of only human-based methods for training members in the treatment of severe combat injuries (see S. 3418), [23JY]
Controlled Substances Act: exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marijuana (see S. 3501), [2AU]
Copyrights: adopt fair standards and procedures by which determinations of Copyright Royalty Judges are made with respect to webcasting (see S. 3609), [21SE]
Dept. of HHS: increase number of permanent faculty in palliative care at allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, and promote education in palliative care and hospice (see S. 3407), [19JY]
Dept. of Veterans Affairs: consider resources of pension applicants recently disposed of by the applicants for less than fair market value when determining eligibility for such pensions (see S. 3270), [6JN]
Education: support statewide individual-level integrated postsecondary education data systems (see S. 2098), [9FE]
FCC: establish data usage measurement standards for Internet service providers, ensure proper use of data caps, empower consumers to monitor data usage, and prohibit discrimination against any content (see S. 3703), [20DE]
Federal agencies and departments: prohibit purchase of merchandise subject to antidumping or countervailing duty orders (see S. 3611), [21SE]
Foreign trade: make elimination of government fisheries subsidies a principal negotiating objectives in trade negotiations (see S. 3518), [2AU]
Forest Service: allow award of certain contracts for large air tankers (see S. 3261), [4JN]
Medicare: establish a program to provide incentive payments to participating beneficiaries who voluntarily establish and maintain better health (see S. 2243), [28MR]
———modify designation of accreditation organizations for orthotics and prosthetics, apply accreditation and licensure requirements and modify payment methodology for such devices (see S. 2125), [17FE]
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative: provide documents relating to trade negotiations to Members of Congress and their staff upon request (see S. 3225), [23MY]
Syria: condemn violence against and detention of journalists and support freedom of the press (see S. Res. 391), [8MR]
Tariff: boys' knitted or crocheted shirts of man-made fibers (see S. 3059), [9MY]
———clarify classification of recreational performance outerwear (see S. 3073), [9MY]
———footwear with open toes or open heels or of the slip-on type (see S. 3068), [9MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted shorts of synthetic fibers (see S. 3064), [9MY]
———girls' knitted or crocheted trousers and breeches of synthetic fibers (see S. 3060), [9MY]
———knit garments with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3063), [9MY]
———knit tank tops with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3062), [9MY]
———manganese ferrite carrier covered with acrylic resin (see S. 3071), [9MY]
———men's leathered footwear (see S. 3056, 3058), [9MY]
———poly(methyl methacrylate) and zinc acetate mixtures (see S. 3072), [9MY]
———sports bras with electrodes knit into or attached to the fabric and that incorporate connectors designed to secure an electronic transmitter that transmits physiological information to a compatible monitor (see S. 3061), [9MY]
———sports footwear (see S. 3069), [9MY]
———sports footwear for men with outer soles of rubber or plastics and uppers of textile materials (see S. 3065), [9MY]
———sports footwear with cleats (see S. 3066, 3067), [9MY]
———titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3075), [9MY]
———titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane mixtures (see S. 3070), [9MY]
———women's leathered footwear (see S. 3055, 3057), [9MY]
Taxation: deny inclusion of any antidumping or countervailing duties in the determination of the basis of any energy tax credit property (see S. 3610), [21SE]
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